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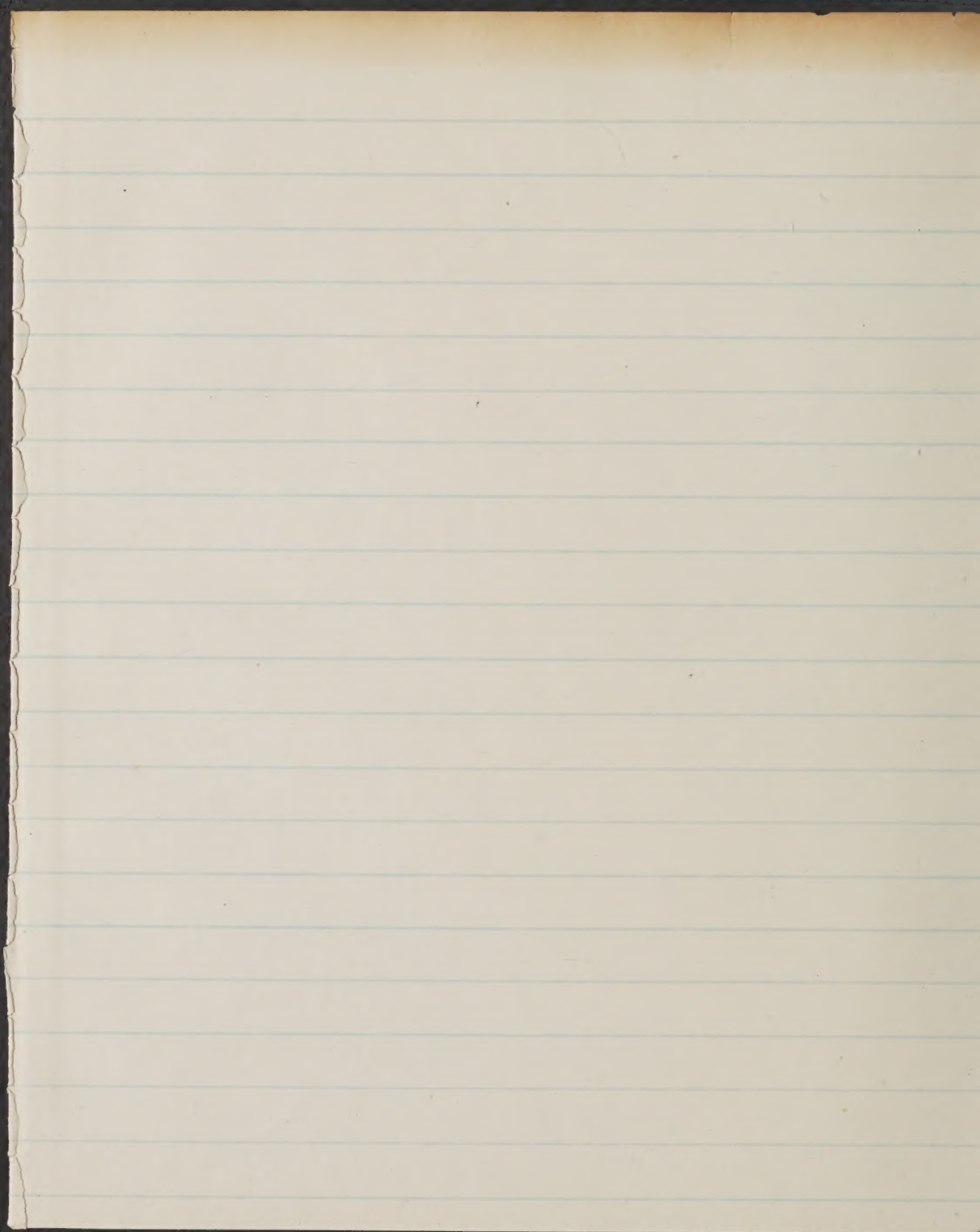


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Ship Vesper of New London Capt John <sup>Master</sup> Hemphill  
July Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> 1855

This day commences a  
Whaling voyage with 30 men on board at 9. A.M.  
the Capt came on board & took the anchor & at 1  
P.M. the Pilot left us steering S.E. with the wind  
W.S.W. at 4 P.M. chased Walches & Bats. crews. &c.  
Employed clearing up decks & getting on chipping  
gear So Ends this day - No. obs.

July Friday 20<sup>th</sup>

Light breezes & clear weather This day commences with  
Employed on boats &c. Saw blackfish going quick  
at 12. P.M. Squally with rain So Ends.  
No. obs.

July Saturday 21<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Light winds & pleasant Employed on  
boats &c. & on ship's duty at 6 P.M. broke out  
water &c. Cleared up decks So Ends.

July Sunday 22<sup>th</sup>

This day commences  
With fresh breezes & cloudy weather Employed  
on boats Part off the day at Midnight heavy  
thunder & lightning accompanied with heavy  
rain doubled reefed the topsails & Girted  
The Kil So Ends Lat at noon 38.26.

July Monday 23<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear weather at 9 A.M. Saw  
blackfish lowered all 4 boats No success.  
Employed on boats &c. So Ends -  
Lat. 38 13

July Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant Employed on boats  
& chipping beer Middle & latter Part Employed  
on breaking out between decks &c.  
Sopped on boats bottles Carpenter on various  
other duties So Ends all well Lat 39.46



# Ship Vesper of New London

July Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with Light breezes & heavy swell <sup>W</sup> Steering E. S. E. Employed breaking out after hatch for Molasses & vinegar & C. Middle & Latter Part Light winds & calms Employed on boats & C. So ends Latt 38.17. S Long 62.29

July Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with Light breezes & pleasant at 1. P.M. Landed the boats too try the men came on board Employed on boats & shipping gear. Middle & Latter Part Strong breezes with rain at 11 A.M. Cleared off pleasant saw ship Steering E. S. E. Employed on boats & C. So ends Steering E. S. E.

opened one 111  
off oil

Latt 39.10 S Long 59.57

July Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with Light breezes from N. E. & Steering E. S. E. Wind Saw a Barge ship Employed on boats & origin & C. Middle & Latter Part Light winds & calms Saw nothing Employed on boats & C. So ends Latt 38.54 Long 58.09

July Saturday 28

This day begins with Light breezes & calms Employed on boats & C. at 1 P.M. Landed down the boats too exercise the crew at 10. P.M. raining hard took in Belaying Sails & at 12 Fore & Mizen top gallant Sails Middle & Latter part Strong gales with rain Wind S. E. (S. E. S. E.) except the topsails & perked the S. E. So ends No. 13.

July Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>

These 24 hours commences with Strong gales from S. E. leading S. E. Employed on cleaning off decks at 5 P.M. Sailed for & Mizen topsails Middle & Latter part More moderate S. E. & Mizen topsails wind calm So ends Latt 40.12 Long 59.27



# Capt<sup>n</sup> John Warristoul Master

July 30<sup>th</sup> Monday

These 24 hours commences  
With fresh breezes & clear from East & foggy & E  
Saw nothing. Middle & Latter part Light breezes  
& clear from ESE heading S'E on wind. Employed  
on boats. &c. So Ends Latt at 11 A Long rods

July 31<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with Light  
breezes & clear weather from ESE heading & on  
wind saw. pinbacks Employed on boats & rigging  
carptner on decks broke out water. Middle &  
Latter part Light breezes & pleasant. Employed on rigging  
&c. at 10 A.M. Saw black fish Saved Struck took 3 too  
Ship So Ends No. 45.

August 1<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with Light  
breezes & blow day weather Employed on clearing off  
blackfish wind from ESE heading & at 1 P.M.  
broke & Ship too S. E. S. Middle & Latter part  
Moderate breezes from SE on wind heading  
& E foggy in squalls with Light showers of rain  
Employed on Ship duty Saw a Ship steering  
SW So Ends Latt at noon 12 25. No. 45

August 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with Strong  
breezes from NNE steering E on wind saw Ship  
Employed Mincein black fish blubber carptner on  
Carbusepen &c. hung a new grindstone Middle & Latter  
part Strong breezes from NNE steering E double  
reefed the top sails Employed on tryworks building  
platform So Ends Latt at noon 12 18. A. Long rods

August

3<sup>rd</sup>

These 24 hours commences  
With Strong breezes from NNE steering E under  
double reef top sails Employed on building up Carbusepen  
&c. Saw nothing Middle & Latter part Moderate  
breezes & squalls under double reef top sails Strong  
East Employed on various duties &c. So Ends  
Latt at noon 12 19 North  
Long rods



# Ship Vesper Bound to Western Is. Larrab

August 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

These 24 hours commence with light breezes from S. W. wind. Part employed on rigging &c. at 4 P.M. lowered our main & mizzen & hauled out the fore & main & got 3 bbls from the ship & put them in. Middle & latter part light winds & calms. Employed on blackfish at 5 P.M. saw more lowered took 4 along side employed clearing off decks & ends. Left at noon 11 P.M. 13 P.M.

August 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commence with light winds & calms. Employed on clearing away deck at 3 P.M. lowered fore & main & took 1 bbl from the ship & employed clearing off decks & ends. Ship started at 5 P.M. Middle & latter part light winds & calms at 5 P.M. started the bywinds on the blackish, white made 13 bbls. Employed hauling to ends. No obs.

August 3<sup>rd</sup>

These 24 hours commence with light breezes & calms steering E by S. Employed hauling at 4 P.M. collected down cleared off decks 3 ships in sight Middle & latter part light wind & foggy. Employed on ship duty to ends. Left at 11 P.M. 13 P.M.

August 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & calms. Employed on ship duty and from 6 to 10 working at 4 P.M. lowered fore & main & got 6 bbls from the ship & put off. Deck &c. Middle & latter part light winds & clear weather at 5 P.M. started bywinds & employed hauling, clubber & boiling. Steering E by S wind S W. to ends. Left at noon 11 P.M. 13 P.M.

August 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

These 24 hours begins with strong breezes from S W. Steering E by S at 1 P.M. started reaped the topsails. Saw blackish, saw no success in the latter part. Moderate & thick wind shifted to the E and employed breaking out the main & mizzen & ends to ends.



Capt John Hempstead Master 1855  
August Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>

These 24 hours commences with  
Light breezes & variable weather employed on breaking  
out Muggen hatch wind from S.E. Steering S.E. & on wind  
saw rangers middle & latter part strong gales from  
S.W. Steering S.E. Under double reef topsails  
To Ends Lat 37 Long 13.30

August Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S.W. blowing fresh under double  
reef topsails Muggen hatched at 6 A.M. Bled more  
topsail blowing fresh. During daylight with a light breeze  
moderate weather part of day employed on striking out  
mounds in noon at Steering S.E. To ends

August 11 Saturday

This day begins with Light  
breezes from S.E. Steering S.E. Saw nothing employed  
on breaking out between decks one sail in sight  
all sail set. weather & latter part strong breezes  
at one look in for topsail blast reef strain &  
Muggen wind from S.E. at 6 A.M. More moderate  
Sot Gore topsail heading S.E. To Ends

Lat at noon 37.30 Long 13.30

August 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S heading S.E. thick &  
hazy employed building a table down under  
blast reef topsails middle & latter part saw  
strong breezes commencing with rain at 1 A.M. More  
Moderate shook one reef out off the topsails Steering  
S.E. To Ends No obs.

August 13<sup>th</sup>

These 24 hours commences  
with Strong breezes from S.W. Steering S.E. under  
single reef topsails & main top ratchet sail running  
in squalls middle & latter part Moderate breezes  
& clear weather from S.W. Steering S.E. Employed  
on carpentering. V.C. To Ends

Lat 37.52

Long 37.12



Ship Vesper Bound for Western I<sup>st</sup> Lands.  
August 14<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

These 24 hours commence  
with moderate breezes & clear weather from S<sup>W</sup> steering.  
S & Employed on wriggling. S.C. saw nothing. Carpenter  
on ship Copper. S.C. middle & latter part light winds  
& Pleasant employed on setting up main topmast  
backstays. S.C. So Ends Steering S<sup>W</sup>.  
Lat 32. 27 Long 160. 15

August 15<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with light  
breezes & Pleasant from S<sup>W</sup> steering. S & Employed  
on shifting spars & on wriggling. Saw nothing.  
middle & latter part fair steering. S.C. saw  
gunperies. Employed on setting up wriggling  
S.C. Carpenter on ship's duty. So Ends  
Lat 31. 30 Long 32. 07

August 16<sup>th</sup> Thursday

These 24 hours commence  
with light breezes & Pleasant from S<sup>W</sup> steering.  
S.C. Employed on setting up wriggling. S.C. Saw  
one ship steering. S.E. all sail set. Middle & latter  
part light breezes & Pleasant at 3 P.M. saw land  
the I<sup>st</sup> of Care. Dist 25 miles bearing W by S. Wind from  
S & E hauled in for it at 1 P.M. Capt went  
on shore saw one ship saying off an on. So Ends


August 17<sup>th</sup> Friday

These 24 hours begin with  
light breezes from S.E. Laying off an on at Care  
at 5 P.M. 4 launches came on board with 150 barrels  
of potatoes & 25000 onions & 20000 cabbages. S.C.  
& sold 7 bbls. of oil. Middle & latter part  
moderate breezes from S<sup>W</sup> steering. S & E  
Employed on clearing away fore top to the  
across. S.C. So Ends lying in light bearing W by S  
Dist 30 miles

August 18<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light  
breezes & Pleasant from S.E. heading. S & E  
on wind. Saw nothing. Employed making union  
on mast. S & latter part light winds &  
Pleasant saw about being 3 P.M. Dist 20 miles  
Employed as you will. So Ends



Capt John Hempstead      Master   
August 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours. Commenced with Light breezes & pleasant from S & E saw the Is. of racines & St. George at 5 AM spoke ship Briton of Dartmouth. 125. Spun saw nothing till 10 AM. Light winds & Pleasant from S & W heading. W & S saw the Is. Land of Gull bearing SSW dist 15 miles saw any quantity of grampusses. Toward the Success To End.

August 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant 3 Is. Lands in sight & 2 Ships wind from S & W heading W & S on wind gull bearing SSW dist 20 Miles Middle & latter part moderate breezes & cloudy weather heading W & S on wind all sail saw 2 Ships Employed on wriggin. V.C. To Ends. No. 018.

August 21<sup>th</sup> Tuesday -

This day begins with Light breezes & foggy with drizzly rain wind from S & W heading W & S on wind 3 Ships in sight all sail set at 5 AM spoke the English ship Girl of Bolton bound to England & at 8 AM took in sail to double reef topsails & piled the sail Middle & latter part Light breezes & Pleasant at daylight made sail heading S & E on wind saw peribacks V.C. Employed on carrying saw 2 Ships & one schooner To Ends.

August 22<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant steering E by S Employed on carrying saw peribacks at sundown took in sail to double reef piled sail steering E by S wind from S & W Middle & latter part Moderate breezes & Pleasant weather wind from S & W at day Light made sail Gull in sight bearing E by S dist 30 miles Capt sail off at 11 AM. The Capt went on shore & wife fore recruits saying off an an 2 Ships the same.



Ship vesper off New London & Byall;  
August 23<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 1855

This 24 hours commences with Light breezes & Pleasant running off on the Capt on shore at 5 P.M. one Launch came on board with recruits & C. sent 8 bbls. of black-pish in in Twin Launch. The Boat came off the Capt on shore no settle at night stood off too. W. S. W. & 2 Ships in sight. Middle & latter part same Light winds & Pleasant at 11 A.M. the Capt came on board with off S. E. & C. m. b. between New & Byall.

August 24<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant running down R. C. Coast. Saw nothing Employed in sailing bare off the recruits middle & latter part Light breezes & Pleasant Employed on weighing & breaking out the gun and from 4 P.M. heading N. E. 3 Ships in sight St George bearing S. by W. dist 15 miles to land

August 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant Employed on Carpterring & C. Saw fireboats St George bearing S. dist 20 miles Middle & latter part Light breezes & Calms Saint George bearing S. dist 30 miles Saw 2 Ships to land - No obs.

August 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with Light breezes & Calms beginning too. 7 A.M. in sight saw 2 ships at noon day of New Bedford 120 bbls. of fish one off their boats. Middle & latter part Light breezes & Pleasant from N. E. heading W. S. W. wind S. E. to land

August 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from the N. E. & S. E. heading W. S. W. on Sunday saw nothing middle & latter part moderate breezes & Pleasant wind from N. E. heading S. E. St George bearing S. W. dist 10 miles to land 3 Ships in sight



John Hempstead Master. In the vicinity of the  
August 28<sup>th</sup> Tuesday J. Land

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant 3 J. Land in sight until from 8 heading W. S. W. on wind S. E. bearing S. S. W. dist 30 miles Employed on carpentering & G. C. Saw compasses. In end for then middle & latter part light breezes & calms Employed for E. S. E. bearing South west 10 miles So ends - Hoobs

August 29<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant Employed on Mending in Machine & Carpentering Saw nothing sent 2 Ships Middle & latter part light breezes & Pleasant Employed on making hopper at 9.7th Saw Spinn whale gain quick lowered Chancel till 3. P. M. No Success So Ends & J. Land in sight

August 30<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with light breezes & clear weather until from 8<sup>th</sup> steering S. E. Saw Land & 2 Ships Employed on carpentering & G. C. Middle & latter part light breezes & calms Employed on repairing Sails & G. C. Saw nothing So Ends one J. Land in sight

August 31<sup>st</sup> Friday

These 24 hours commences with light breezes & calms Employed mending Sails one J. Land in sight Saw nothing. Carpenter on hopper & G. C. Copper on Sails wind from N. E. W. steering S. E. middle & latter part moderate breezes & Pleasant from N. E. steering S. E. Employed on carpentering & on rigging & G. C. So Ends 2 Ships in sight Lat 36. N. West

August  
September

1<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant wind from N. E. Employed on rigging & G. C. Steering S. E. saw 2 Ships in sight Middle & latter part moderate breezes & Pleasant from N. E. steering S. E. Employed on Lat 36. N. West



Ship Desper bound towards the Cape  
September 2<sup>nd</sup> 1855.

These 24 hours commences with light winds & pleasant steering S. by W. in view of land nothing employed on steering (all water) & Brackish water but no gullies leakages out of the vessel. Middle & latter part light breezes & clear weather from N.E. steering S by W So. 4. mds.

Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

This day begins with light breezes & clear weather from N.E. steering S by W employed breaking out provisions &c. in the after hold middle & latter part to the Sain So Ends Lat 32.30

Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from N.E. steering S by W employed breaking out G.L. Middle & latter part to So Ends Lat 29.55

Sept 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

These 24 hours commences with light breezes from N.E. all day steering S by W. In afternoon spoke ship Sophia Gordon & 20 bbls of spirit gift came on board middle & latter part strong N.E. trades employed on capturing &c. steering S by W. So Ends Lat 27.50

August 6<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from N.E. steering S by W. employed capturing &c. steering S.E. Saw nothing middle & latter part moderate breezes & clear steering S by W employed on wrigging &c. So Ends Lat 25.25 Long 23.30 West

August 7<sup>th</sup> Friday

These 24 hours commences with moderate breezes & pleasant steering S by W employed on wrigging &c. in afternoon middle & latter part light breezes & pleasant steering S by W employed on wrigging &c. So Ends Lat 22.55



S. Lane  
David's Capt. John; Hempstead; Master  
August 8<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant from S. & Steering S. W. Employed on weighing & C. Carpenter mending & repairing saw within Middle & latter part fresh breezes & Pleasant employed as usual To Ends  
Lat. 20. 10

Sept 9<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant Steering S. W. Employed as usual at 11 P.M. saw sperm whales lowered struck one & missed one fast for one till dark but let her go Middle & latter part light & Pleasant saw nothing To Ends  
Lat. 19. 25

Sept 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This 24 hours commences with strong breezes & Pleasant Steering S. W. mid from N. E. saw nothing To Ends first part middle & latter part Pleasant employed fitting boat. & C. To Ends Lat. 18. 31.

Sept 11<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with moderate breezes & Pleasant from S. E. Steering S. S. W. Employed on boats & C. Middle & latter part do at Capt. M. saw the Land Steady off St. Nicholas dist 20 miles bearing S. W. At 12. M. set the passage on shore employed on sorting over boards Capt off South To Ends

Sept 12<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant Steering South. Employed sorting over boards & C. saw nothing Middle & latter part moderate breezes & Pleasant at 4 A.M. sighted the Land off St. Sago & at 9 do sent a boat on shore could not trade So Capt off South To Ends

Sept 13<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes & cloudy storings Employed fitting boat & C. Middle & latter part calm employed on boats & C.

29. 42

20. 25

15. 23

13. 10

Lat. 15. 10

11



Ship Vesper Bound Towards the Whaling Ground  
September 14<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with Light  
winds & calms Employed on boats. Mr. Garterm  
Saw nothing Middle & latter part. Calms  
Employed on whiggeri boats. V.C. To Ends  
Latt 12.50

Sept 15<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light winds & calms blowing South Employed on  
boats. V.C. Saw Blackfish Landed no success Middle &  
Latter part Moderate breezes from S steering  
Saw 3 ships employed hunting & hunting boats  
To Ends Latt 11.52 at noon

Sept 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences  
with Light breezes & Pleasant 3 ships in sight  
blowing South Employed hunting boats. V.C.  
Middle & latter part Light breezes from S  
steering South & sailing. To Ends Latt 10.31

Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with Light  
winds & sailing steering South Employed as usual  
Middle & latter part Light & Calms with rain  
squalls 13 ships in sight Saw nothing To Ends  
Latt 9.28

Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with Light  
breezes & Calms Employed as usual 13 ships in  
sight Saw Blackfish Landed no success They  
Middle & latter part Light breezes from S heading  
S & E up to S.S.E. Saw nothing Employed as usual  
To Ends Latt 9.25 South

Sept 19<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S.S.W. heading  
S.S.W. saw 5 ships employed as usual  
Middle & latter part Light winds & squalls  
commenced with rain & thunder &  
lightning. To Ends under repairs  
no obs.



Capt John Hampstead Master 17.55  
15<sup>th</sup> Sept 20<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant weather with heavy showers of rain  
during the night & up to 10 o'clock in the  
middle & latter part light breezes & at 10 o'clock  
with showers of rain To End  
Lat 8.10 Long 21.38

Sept 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant employed as  
usual, boats, &c. steering South spoke the  
English Ship Charles & William. Saw the  
Shields 13 days from St Helena. Middle &  
latter part light winds & squally steering  
South wind from S. Sea returning to land

Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S steering South  
employed as usual saw English Ship Charles &  
latter part light winds & squally with  
rain steering South to land Lat 21.24

Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant steering S at  
3 P.M. squally thick fog coming hard  
middle & latter part calm with heavy  
showers of rain saw one ship To End  
Lat 6.50

Sept 24<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins  
with breezes & calm from S & heading N. E. at  
10 A.M. no ship - middle & latter part light  
& pleasant employed on mending sails  
& carpentering saw one ship To End  
Lat 6.45 Long 19.50



Ship Resper Bround See wards the Trustear  
Sept 25<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes from SSW heading S by E on wind  
Employed as usual Middle & latter part light  
& pleasant Employed on capturing 9. 11. 4. 11. 11.  
Lat 6. 11. 11.

September 26<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with Light  
breezes & Pleasant Employed on capturing 9. 11. 11. 11. 11.  
See 2 ships on wind heading S by E. Middle &  
latter part light breezes & pleasant Employed  
sortin over Potatoes 9. 11. 11. 11. 11. Lat 5. 50. 11.

Sept 27<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant Employed. Nothing seen  
except S.S. at 4. 11. 11. 11. 11. Blackish Low red got  
one middle & latter part cloudy with rain  
So ends heading S by E on wind No obs.

Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant with rain. Day light  
with rain. Middle & latter part light breezes & pleasant  
nothing seen except S.S. at 4. 11. 11. 11. 11. Lat 4. 11. 11.

Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Saturday

These 24 hours commences  
with strong breezes & thick & rainy wind from  
SSW heading S by E. Saw blackish Low red in  
society. Middle & latter part light & pleasant  
from SE heading N. S. W. saw nothing. Lat 4. 11. 11.

Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences  
with Light breezes & clear weather Employed as  
usual wind from SE heading N by E. Middle  
& latter part light winds & pleasant  
Employed as usual So ends  
Lat 3. 34. Long 17. 50



S. Lands Capt John Hempstead Master  
Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant wind from S E steering  
W by S Middle & Latter part Light from same  
Employed as usual rattling the fore  
wriggin. &c. Saw one Sail Boats  
Latt 3.05 at noon

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & equally from S E heading  
W by S Employed on wriggin. &c. Middle  
& Latter part Moderate breezes from same heading  
W by S started fore top gallant backstays fitted three  
new ones Sails Latt 2.20 at noon

Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Moderate breezes from S E heading W by S  
Employed repairing flying Sil & rattling the wriggin  
Middle & Latter part fresh trades heading W by S  
Employed rattling down Sails Latt 1.15 at noon

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with fresh  
S E trades heading W by S Employed on wriggin  
brought on board Molasses middle & latter part  
Strong breezes & Clear weather from S E heading  
W by S saw one ship Employed on wriggin  
Sails Latt 2.5 miles S Long 22.31 W at noon

October 5<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Moderate breezes & clear weather from S E heading  
W by S saw one ship Employed on wriggin &c. Middle  
& Latter part fresh from steering S W Employed  
mending sails &c Sails Latt 2.20 Long 24.25 at noon

Oct 6<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear weather from S E steering  
S W Employed on wriggin &c. Middle & Latter  
part S E steering S W by S saw one ship  
water &c Sails Latt 1.13 Long 25.11



Ship Vesper Bound South Fore Whales, &c.  
Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences  
with light breezes & clear weather from S.W. steering S.W.  
Employed stow main hatch &c. & middle & latter  
part of fore from S.W. steering S.W. to S.W.  
Lat 6.59 South Long 28.30

Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong  
breeze steering S.W. & S.W. sail up & saw one ship steering  
S.W. & nothing but S.W. & latter part moderate  
breezes & clear from S.W. steering S.W. to S.W.  
Ship employed as usual Lat 9.08 Long 27.42 West

Oct 9<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

These 24 hours commences  
with moderate trades steering S.W. & S.W. Employed  
on wiggie &c. middle & latter part moderate  
breezes & clear weather from S.W. steering S.W.  
Employed on wiggie & mending fore top sail  
Cooper on deck Carpenter on bun in the (jacks)  
To Ends Lat 11.03 Long 29.03

Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
moderate breezes & clear weather steering S.W. Employed  
on wiggie &c. Cooper on deck - middle & latter  
part light & pleasant from S.W. steering S.W.  
Saw one ship Employed fishing - main topmast backstays  
To Ends saw nothing Lat 12.11

Oct 11 Thursday

These 24 hours commences  
with light breezes & calm steering S.W. Employed  
on getting up wiggie &c. saw one ship steering S.W.  
middle & latter part light & pleasant Employed  
as usual To Ends Lat 13.22 Long 29.10.

Oct 12<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with light  
breezes & calm from S.W. steering S.W. Employed  
on wiggie &c. middle & latter part  
To Employed as usual To Ends  
Lat 14.26 Long 29.52



Capt John Hornstead Master.

Oct 13 Saturday

This day begins with Light  
winds & calm sea for a few hours. One ship in sight Employed  
on mending sails & c. at 5 P.M. Saw Breches Long way  
off shore. Tided about 5 miles. Saw nothing. There  
came on board this day. Latter part Light from  
Main steering, S by W To Ends Latt 15.00 South

Oct 14 Sunday

This day begins with Light  
breezes & Pleasant from S steering. S by W Saw 2  
ships steering on wind too. W. S. W. Employed as  
usual. S. C. Middle & Latter part Moderate from  
Main steering S S W To Ends Latt 17.07 Long 28.50

Oct 15 Monday

At 2 hours Commence  
with Light winds & Pleasant from S steering  
S S W Saw one ship. S. C. Middle & Latter part  
Fresh from S steering. S S W Saw one ship Employed  
on cutting gear To Ends Latt 19.23

Oct 16

This day begins with  
Moderate breezes & cloudy weather steering S S W  
at 2 P.M. squally with rain. Tided top of all  
sails rising. S. C. thick fog. Middle & Latter  
part strong with rain. Doubled reef the topsails  
S. C. To Ends Latt 19.54

Oct 17

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & cloudy from S S C under sails  
except topsails Employed mending sails & c. at  
5 P.M. Saw the S. Land of Trinidad Dist  
15 miles bearing W. S. W. Cont S. C. Middle  
& Latter part strong gales & cloudy. Tided in  
Saw the S. Land under double reef topsails  
Employed as usual To Ends Latt 20.10  
Long 29.02. Last



Ship Tiesher Bound North pole Whales  
October 18<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes & blowday from S S E at 10 P.M. went in there with 2 boats. Saw penicillaria blowing fresh could do nothing. Saw a ship on the beach on West side of the island. Could not ascertain nothing their being fetch a swell middle & latter part strong & blowing weather heading S S W on wind under double reef topsails & ends Latt 21.10

Oct 19<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with fresh breezes & blowday from S S E heading too S S W on wind Employed in rigging &c. middle & latter part strong from same under double reef topsails Saw one ship to ends Latt 23.20

Oct 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong breezes from E S E heading S S W under double reef topsails middle & latter part more moderate from S steering S S E all sail set & employed as usual to ends Latt 25.10

Oct 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences with moderate breezes & clear weather from E steering S S E employed as usual killed 2 big &c. cleared them middle & latter part moderate breezes & clear weather steering S S E Saw penicillaria to ends Latt 27.20 Long 31.00

Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> Monday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S steering S S E Saw one penicillaria &c. middle & latter part thick & foggy with light wind forger to S S W No obs.

Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & foggy from S steering to S S W middle & latter part do thick & raining steering South to ends Latt 29.20



Capt John Hempstead Master 1855  
Oct 24<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

These 24 hours commence with strong breezes & cloudy weather from S & steering South on wind remaining & thick Middle & Latter part moderate with thick cloudy weather & risley rain starting S & S.W. sailing to E. end Lat 31 50 Long 20 41 West.

Oct 25<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes & pleasant from S & steering S & under double reef topsails & employed on tugging Middle & Latter part strong breezes & thick with risley rain at 10 AM double reefed & set the topsails steering S E & S W ends Lat 33.11 South

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> Friday

These 24 hours commence with strong squally weather from W & W under double reef topsails steering E by S saw pinbacks Middle & Latter part moderate sail all sail steering East saw one ship and from S E & S W ends Lat 32 53 Long 24.19

Oct 27<sup>th</sup> Saturday

These 24 hours commence with light breezes & cloudy from S & steering S E & on wind all sail set saw nothing Middle & Latter part light from S.W. heading S E & the Capt very sick & Cook saw pinbacks to ends Lat 32.20 Long 22 39 West

Oct 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commence with light breezes & pleasant from S E heading S E & on wind saw pinbacks the Capt worse very much Middle & Latter part light & calm forgo in too East saw pinbacks Capt no better to ends

Lat 31.53 Long 20 19



Ship Vesper Bound for the Trusten Is. Lands. 1855  
Oct 29<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with Light breezes & calms. Saw finbacks. The Capt very sick at 11 P.M. he had a very bad turn. Breezy Middle & Latter part. No Squirt & still under light & calms for a S. No Wind. Lat 32.35 Long 30.30

Oct 30<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with Light breezes & calms. Steering S.E. The Capt little better under from S.E. Middle & Latter part Moderate from same Steering. No The Capt worse & Sprunged. No Wind. All sail set at the topmast. Steady sail. Lat 33.15 Long 17.24

Oct 31<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with Light breezes & Steady from S.E. Steering S.E. The Capt very bad at 11 P.M. he appeared more better. Saw nothing. Middle & Latter part Moderate breezes from the North Steering S.E. The Capt more comfortable & Latter better. No Wind. Lat 35.09 Long 17.00

November 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with Light breezes & blowy from S. Steering S.E. Saw finbacks. The Capt rather better. Middle & Latter part Steady all sail set. The Capt more better. No Wind. Lat 36.27 Long 13.46.

Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday

This day begins with Light breezes & Steady from S.W. Steering S.W. Saw finbacks. The Capt better. Middle & Latter part Light from S.W. The fog at 9 am. Saw the Is. Land at inaccessible. Got 3000 of fish. No Wind. Thick fog. On

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

This day begins with Light breezes & thick fog. Steering over to Trusten Middle & Latter part Light Steady & Pleasant at 9 P.M. The Capt went on shore & wife & child got on board. No Wind. At dusk



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November 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from the South  
Laying in three boats a fair S.E. Capt on shore  
Middle & Latter part strong under double  
reef topsails So Ends

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

This day begins  
with strong breezes & clear sky in fore  
trusten blowing fresh could not fetch run  
over too inaccessible for wild dogs in Landing  
Sloop the W. Bout the S. Mate & Crew on Shore  
too rugged to get them off So Ends

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
strong gales from S.E. Laying off an on at the  
S. and Middle & Latter part strong from the W.  
at 9 am went on shore with 2 Bouts could not  
get the men So Ends Laying off an on

Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
moderate breezes & cloudy weather from S.W. went  
in shore with 2 Bouts could not get the men  
off. Middle & Latter part strong gales & squally  
with rain Laying off an on

Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
strong gales & squally with rain from S.E.  
Laying off under short sail Middle & Latter  
part moderate with heavy swell at daylight Capt  
off for trusten So Ends

Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
moderate breezes from S.W. at 9 am went on shore  
at trusten took the Capt & family off on board  
were ship heading up for inaccessible after them  
then left their Middle & Latter part moderate  
& clear at 9 John took the men & Boat off  
Capt off for trusten home about at 11 P.M.  
the Boat came off with 2 sheep & Mille for Capt  
the Capt no better So Ends -



Ship's Log off Coast from Tristan D Cunha 18.55  
November 10<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & clear weather at 4 P.M. hulled  
aback under Tristan the boat came off with 2  
Sheep & milk fore Capt the Wind WNW at  
5. Do kept off & at Sundown took in Sail  
the Capt. the Sain. middle & latter part strong  
gales from SW Laying to under close reef main topsail  
& fore topmast staysail the Capt Sain So Ends  
Lat 36.32.

Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday

The day begins with strong  
gales from SW Laying to under close reef main  
top sail & fore topmast staysail the Capt Sain  
middle & latter part Light & pleasant made all sail  
steering E by S Saw pinbacks & one Ship So Ends

November 12 Monday

117. Days out. This day begins with Light  
breezes & Pleasant from SE Steering E by S all sail  
Set Saw pinbacks & one Ship at Sundown took  
in Sail. & C. Capt. Mutch. better. Middle & latter  
part Light breezes. & Calm begin too & the Capt out  
on. Deck better Saw pinbacks So Ends.  
Lat 36.09

November 13<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from NE heading E  
Saw pinbacks at 5. AM Squally with rain  
took in sail heading. & E. Capt very well.  
middle & latter part strong gales & thick at 9 AM  
covered up, set double reef topsails & Sil. heading too  
& E So Ends Lat 35.50 Long 8.11. West

November 14<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Strong gales & clear under double reef top sails  
steering South Saw pinbacks at Sundown took in  
sail heading too West. Middle & latter part strong  
gales from E at 8 AM kept off heading E  
So Ends Lat 36.30 Long 7.30



Capt John Wempstead Master 1855

November 15<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong gales from S.W. running South, under short sail at 5 P.M. took in fore sail & hove in middle & latter part strong breezes & clear made double & latter reef top sail at 9 A.M. short barque to America to ends

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breeze & clear from S.W. under double reef top sails saw nothing employed repairing W boat middle & latter part wind to Westward steering E & E saw pinbacks in one sail to ends Lat 37.12.

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light breeze & calm steering E & E saw pinbacks employed repairing boat & E. Middle & latter part Calms spoke Bark, Winslow L B 15 months out 500 lbs Solenoid employed hunting boat

Nov 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with Calms saw pinbacks lowered fore one shot him & he ran away to middle & latter part Calms saw one ship to ends Lat 36.29 Long 6.17 W

November 19<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant from S.W. heading too Westward day on a ship & pinbacks Middle & latter part light wind & Pleasant saw one ship & pinbacks put out W. Boat to ends Lat 36.39 Long 5.51

Nov 20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant from S.W. heading S.W. saw pinbacks plenty & one ship middle & latter part Calms employed mending main top gallant sail to ends Lat 36.57.



Ship Vesper of Tristan D Cunha 18.55  
November 21<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

These 24 hours commences  
with light air from S.E. heading W & calm day  
nothing broke and water is very smooth  
main top gallant and middle & latter part  
Moderate breezes & blow day from S.E. heading  
W & W. Saw 3 ships & humpbacks to land  
Lat 36.25 Long 7.01

Nov 22 Thursday

This day begins with  
Moderate breezes from S.E. steering W & W  
Saw plenty of humpbacks & one ship cutting  
middle & latter part light breezes & pleasant  
3 ships in sight saw pinbacks No birds  
Lat 36.12

Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> Friday

These 24 hours commences  
with light breezes & pleasant from S.E.  
steering W & W. Saw 3 ships & saw a right whale  
Saw a boat no success middle & latter part  
Strong breezes from S.W. heading S & saw  
nothing to birds - No obs.

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S.W. heading S  
Saw nothing but one pinback at sundown  
took in sail S.E. middle & latter part Moderate  
breezes & blow day at day light sail standing  
to S.W. Saw humpbacks to land  
Lat 37.26.

Nov 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences  
with Strong breezes from S.W. heading  
S.W. Saw humpbacks at sundown took in  
sail middle & latter part Strong breezes from  
S.W. heading W at daylight much sail saw  
one ship & pinbacks Lat 36.47 Long 7.40

Nov 26<sup>th</sup> Monday

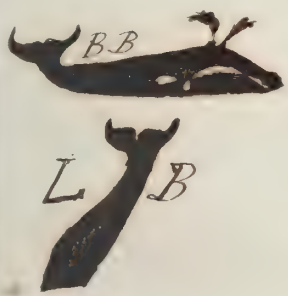
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Strong breezes & clear saw one ship & pinbacks heading  
W took in sail middle & latter part Strong  
breezes from S.W. heading to saw one ship to land  
Lat 37.12.



Capt John Wemytstead Master 1855  
November 27<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with strong gales from S. Laying too under short sail. Saw one ship said plenty of fin. went in sight at 6 P.M. commenced to rain. Middle & latter part light from S. suddenly to W. thick & raining. So ends. no obs.

November 28<sup>th</sup> Wednesday



This day begins with calm & thick fog. at noon began to W. at four o'clock cleared off. Saw 2 ships & 1000 barrels took in sail. V.C. Middle & latter part. Moderate breezes & pleasant. at daylight said: said saw weight whales lowered. Struck & struck them. but one up took him to the ship so ends.

Nov 29<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes & squally. employed butting. finished at 6 P.M. blowing fresh. at daylight strong from S.W. at 9 A.M. saw whales lowered. no success. So ends. Lat 37.45 Long 8.45

Nov 30<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breezes from S.W. Saw whales lowered. no success took in sail 3 ships in sight. Middle & latter part fresh from S. at daylight started byworks saw 1000 barrels So ends. Lat 37.52 Long 8.30 W.P.

December 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from S.W. employed butting. V.C. saw 1000 barrels Middle & latter part calm & raining. booted down at 10 A.M. saw one ship sailing. So ends.

December 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong gales from S. Laying too under short sail. Saw weight whales Middle & latter part strong gales from S.W. Laying too under short sail. So ends. Lat 37.52 Long 8.30 W.P.



Ship Vesper of Bristol 9, Runha 1855  
December 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes from W under double reef  
topsails at 8 A.M. commenced to moderate  
saw a ship standing to the northward saw  
two boats at Sundown. Took in Sail 8.  
Middle & latter part light wind & Calms  
saw one ship & two boats. Employed cleaning  
hove . 9 . 6 . 00 & ends Luff 38. 02

December 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light airs from W & Calms. Saw two boats  
& one ship. Took in sail Middle & latter part  
light & Calms going to W of ends  
Luff 37. 17

Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant heading W saw eight  
whales. Lowered gear quick the success Middle &  
Latter part middle ate breezes & clear from  
saw heading W & W saw eight whales. Lowered  
No success to ends Luff 38. 01.

Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & clear saw eight whales  
Lowered the success gear quick middle &  
latter part strong & thick weather No ends  
Luff 38. 24

December 7<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
light airs & Calms hazy saw eight whales  
Lowered for success gear quick Middle &  
Latter part strong saw whales. Lowered No  
Success. Employed repairing main topsail.  
No ends Luff 38 08 Long 9. 30.

Dec 8<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & hazy weather. Cleared down  
double reef the topsails saw whales going quick  
middle & latter part light & pleasant saw whales  
Lowered struck him up took him to ship  
commenced to cut. No ends —

L.B



Capt John Hempstead Master 1853

December 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Light breeze & Calms Employed cutting finished  
at 5 P.M. Middle & latter part Calms started  
at daylight saw whales lowered struck  
one took him too ship commenced to cut

LB

December 10<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with Calms  
Employed cutting finished at 4 P.M. cleared  
off decks boiling middle & latter part Light &  
Pleasant at daylight saw whales lowered struck  
one took him too ship commenced to cut  
No Ends Lat 38.12

LB

December 11<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breeze & Pleasant Employed cutting & boiling  
saw whales lowered No success gain much  
middle & latter part Light & Calms Employed  
staying down saw whales lowered missed them  
No Ends Stood down. 111. bbls.

111. bbls

December 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Pleasant weather employed staying  
down finished at 5 P.M. one ship  
in sight middle & latter part Light & Pleasant  
Employed boiling saw one ship No Ends  
Lat 38.27 Long 10.10

December 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breeze & Pleasant heading 1 P.M. saw  
nothing Employed boiling middle & latter part  
Moderate breeze & Pleasant Employed boiling  
staying down finished at 12 o'clock  
No Ends Lat 38.25

110 bbls

Dec 14<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Moderate breeze & fair Employed boiling at  
1 P.M. saw whales lowered struck one then co him  
up lost him in finished at 8 P.M. middle &  
latter part Employed boiling 12 o'clock

SB



Ship Vesper Cruising for Whales. 1855  
December 15<sup>th</sup> Saturday



These 24 hours commenced with strong gales & cloudy weather Employed haying at 8 P.M. commenced the rain settled down squalls in middle & latter part strong gales at daylight lowered whales struck & drew 30 Ends -

Dec 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong breezes & cloudy Employed haying saw whales going quick Middle & latter part booled down stood down 18 Ends

December 17 Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear weather Employed cleaning up decks - middle & latter part strong breezes & thick weather steering W. N. W. Employed cleaning bone 18 Ends

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with strong breezes & thick weather Employed cleaning bone Middle & latter part strong gales Laying too 30 Ends no oil

Dec 19 Wednesday

This day begins with strong breezes Laying too at 4 P.M. moderated down at 10 P.M. booled except the topsails Middle & latter part strong breezes & clear Employed on mending sails saw ship Spoke here the Dove of St London 15 months out 500 200 Sperm 30 Ends Latt 37 20

Dec 20<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong gales & clear weather from W steering S. W. at 1 P.M. saw whales lowered no success on ship in sight Middle & latter part strong gales Laying too 18 Ends



John Hempstead Master 1855  
Decemr. 21<sup>st</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
strong gales & clear from W. Laying to  
middle & latter part rain & clouds  
Lat 37.11 Long 8.26

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

This day begins  
with strong gales & clear from W. Laying  
to saw one ship. So. middle & latter part  
strong from rain & clouds Laying to

Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences  
with strong breezes & clear from W heading  
S. S. W. Middle & latter part strong from  
rain saw whale lowered the success to ends

Dec 24<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & blizzard weather from  
S. S. W. heading W S W saw five backs  
middle & latter part strong gales from  
So Laying to Employed bunch in bone  
So Ends

December 25<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
strong gales & heavy weather Employed  
bunch in bone Laying to saw one whale  
too rugged too low middle & latter part  
strong breezes from S heading W thick &  
sailing So Ends no As

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong breezes from S heading W wind  
thick & raining middle & latter part so  
raining hard So Ends

So. 27<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & thick fog with rain saw  
Lat 39.18 Ship v. b. middle & latter part more moderate  
Long 11.17 Mail hole top sails which hoisted to W  
steering S S W on wind So Ends



Ship Tesper Bound for Britain & Teunka  
December 28<sup>th</sup> Friday

18.55

This day commences  
with strong breezes & Pleasant from W heading  
N.W. under fore topails at sundown took  
in Sail Middle & Latter part light breezes &  
calms steering S. Saw the land the 3<sup>rd</sup> land  
So Ends Lat 37.50

December 29<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
light ares & calms steering N.W. from S. saw  
Land 3<sup>rd</sup> land bearing S.E. dist 15 miles  
middle & Latter part light ares from S. E. in  
in nightingale gale bearing N.E. & West 10 miles  
at 5 P.M. lowered the boats in shore So Ends  
In shore fishing

December 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences  
with light breezes & calms 2 boats in shore  
fishing at fighting gale at 4 P.M. came  
on board with fish & 7 cwt this time saw  
middle & Latter part light breezes & calms  
steering N.W. for Britain So Ends

Dec 31<sup>st</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light ares & calms at 10. A.M. lowered the  
go in shore with 2 boats pore potatoes  
middle & Latter part So an shore but saw  
nothing So Ends

January 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear at 5 P.M. boats came  
off with one bullock & 25 bushel of potatoes  
middle & Latter part So & Pleasant  
saw one ship sailing So Ends Lat 36.55

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from S.E. saw 3 ships  
on sailing middle & Latter part cloudy from  
thin spiky ship cutting 2 whales this time  
So Ends



Capt John Kempstead Master 1856  
January 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
light breezes & thick weather from S & S.W. Steaming  
both in Sail Middle & Latter part calm saw the  
Land & 2 Sails one byling So Ends

Jan

4<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
light breezes from S.W. & from S.W. Steaming  
the Land & ships are sighted and byling Middle  
& Latter part light & pleasant from W. Land  
in sight bearing W. Dist 20 Miles saw 3 ships  
one byling S.E. Ends Lat 37.05

January 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins  
with light breezes & pleasant from S.W.  
Saw wright whale chased him till  
sundown no success took in sail 2 ships  
in sight middle & Latter part steering S.W.  
from S.W. steering S.W. saw one ship to ends  
Lat 37 42 Long 10.32

January Sunday

This day begins with  
strong breezes from S.W. Steaming S.W. under  
double reef topsails saw nothing Middle &  
Latter part thick & raining Laying too to ends

Jan

7<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & thick Laying too wind from  
S.W. at daylight made double reef topsails steering  
S.E. Middle & Latter part S.W. steering S.E.  
to ends Lat 39.22 Long 9.30.

Jan

8<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

These 24 hours have  
begun with strong breezes & fair from  
S.W. Steaming S.E. under double reef  
topsails Middle & Latter part strong breezes  
from W. with heavy dew from S.W. at 10 Mails  
made top gallant sail & fore topsails steering  
East to ends Lat 40.25

Long 6 54 West



Ship Vesper Bound East for Whales.  
January 9<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from W steering East. Saw finbacks struck a porpoise, &c. Middle & latter part strong gale at 11 A.M. took in sail have the blowing fresh & raining at day sight made best reef topsails & left off S.E. So Ends Lat 40.46 Long 3.30

Jan 10<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong gale from S.W. thick & raining steering S.E. under double reef topsails & foresail saw blackfish middle & latter part moderate from S steering S.E. thick & raining, So Ends No obs.

Jan 11<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with light breezes & calms from N.E. thick & raining foggy 11 too S.E. saw finbacks middle & latter part strong gale from S.W. steering S.E. under double reef topsails thick & raining, So Ends

Jan 12<sup>th</sup> Saturday

Strong gale from N.W. This day begins with topsail at 2 P.M. steering S.E. under double reef sheet, one reef out of main top sail & set main top gallant sail at 10 P.M. took in top gallant sail & hoisted top sail have two blowing fresh middle & latter part more moderate at daylight left off E wind from NW So Ends Lat 43.08 Long 130 E

Jan 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear steering E under all sail wind from W middle & latter part so from same So Ends - Lat 41.58 Long 6 30 E

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes from N.W. steering E.S.E. all sail set middle & latter part so thick fog & raining saw nothing So Ends Lat. No obs.



Capt John Warristead Master  
January 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

Wes c 20 hours  
Commencing with Light breezes & Pleasant  
from W S W steering E S E all Sail Set  
Saw nothing Middle & Latter part Moderate  
breezes & Pleasant from So Employed Mending  
Sails So Ends Lat 11. 51

Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

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This day begins with  
Moderate breezes & Pleasant from W S W  
steering E S E under all sail. Sent New Mizen  
top sail Middle & Latter part Strong breezes &  
Clear from W S W steering E S E Saw nothing  
under all sail So Ends Lat 11. 55.

Jan 17<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & blowday with whole yards  
wind from W S W steering E S E under  
top sails & fore sail Middle & Latter part  
Strong with heavy squalls from W S W steering  
E S E under double reef top sails & Ends  
Lat 11 31 Long 17. 20.

Jan 18<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from W S W & squally under  
single reef top sails & top gallant sails  
steering E S E Middle & Latter part Moderate  
from So steering E S E Employed Mending sails  
at 11. A.M. Saw eight whales. Sounded. Strength  
one turned him up took him too Ship So Ends

Jan 19<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Moderate breezes & clear Employed butting  
finished at 6. A.M. Middle & Latter part  
Strong from N & kept off S E started by  
works So Ends blow day weather

Jan 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & blowday from N N E steering S E E  
Employed butting Middle & Latter part So  
Employed butting. & C So Ends



Ship Vesper of Cape Good Hope bound C.  
Monday Jan 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear weather, from South W steering  
E S & saw whales lowered the success at 4 P.M.  
boiled down finished boiling teeth in oil  
at sundown, middle & latter part strong  
breezes & blowday from S.W. commenced to  
stow down said weight whales lowered struck  
one lost 2 lines to ends no obs

Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
strong light breezes & thick employed stowing down  
finished at 4 P.M. wind from S.W.  
85 lbs. Laying to under blast reef main topsail  
partial piled blowing hard middle & latter  
part strong gales with hale squalls laying  
to under blast reef main topsail to ends

Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & squally lowered fore  
whales struck one lost 2 lines came  
on board blowing hard from S.W.  
took in to blast reef main topsail  
middle & latter part to laying to  
to ends

Jan 24<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins  
with strong gales from S.W. Laying  
to under blast reef main top. sail  
middle & latter part main blowing fresh  
from same Laying to to ends no obs

Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
strong gales from S.W. Laying to under  
blast reef main topsail middle & latter  
part to blowing hard employed wedges  
the rudder to ends  
Sail 41. 11 Lays 27. 17 E



Capt John Hempstead Master 1856  
January 26<sup>th</sup> Saturday

These 24 hours begins  
with strong gales from NW Laying to under  
close reef Main topsail at 3 P.M. Moderate  
Set fore topsail & kept off E Middle & latter  
part light breeze up strong tooth in sail & have  
to again wind from S to E ends.  
No obs

Jan 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
strong gales from N Laying to under  
close reef Main topsail Midnight  
wind hauled to NW yard at 6 A.M. in  
morning kept off E S E to E ends  
Lat 40.32 Long 32.48. East

January 28<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins  
with strong breezes from NW steering  
E S E under single reef topsails Middle &  
latter part light breezes & squally from S.W.  
steering S E to E ends -

Jan 29<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S.W steering  
S E & all sail set Saw nothing  
Middle & latter part strong gales & thick  
ruining under close reef Main topsail  
& foresail to ends Lat 41.00

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
strong gales from S.W thick & raining  
steering S E & under short sail Middle &  
latter part more moderate made all sail  
steering S E Saw nothing to ends  
Lat 41.16 Long 32.30

Jan 31<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S steering S E &  
on wind all sail set Saw nothing Middle &  
latter part light from South heading  
E to E ends Bent new main topsail 38



Ship Vesper. Bound East for Whales.  
February 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

This day begins with light breezes from E heading S E by S employed on repairing sails at 4 P.M. Hoisted up put 2 reefs in the topsails thick & rainy saw Sulphur bottom. Middle & latter part strong gales from N E with lightning took in sail & hove to at 5 P.M. Capt. off & mail pulled for W. S. W. Do & nothing fresh  
Lat 42 11 Long 11. 10 E

February 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong gales from S W steering E S E under short sail. Middle & latter part strong from same steering Do S E & mil

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong gales from S W steering S E under double reef topsails Middle & latter part Do saw nothing Do ends  
Lat 41 38 Long 52. 10

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear steering S E. Hoisted up gallant sail Middle & latter part more moderate mail from S W steering S E & all sail set employed mending sails Do ends  
Lat 41. 20

Feb 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with moderate breezes & clear from S W steering S E by E employed mending sails set top mast standing sail Middle & latter part strong gales from W steering S E by E saw blackfish Do ends  
Lat 41. 38 Long 59. 30

Feb 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with strong breezes from W steering S E by E under double reef topsails Middle & latter part moderate breezes & thick with rain saw porpoises all sail set Do ends  
No obs.



Capt John Hempstead Master February 7<sup>th</sup> 1846  
February 7<sup>th</sup> Thursday

There 24 hours commences  
with moderate breezes & cloudy weather from S.W.  
steering S.E. with fog & scaled squalls from one  
ship steering S.E. saw five backs employed  
as usual all sail set middle & latter  
part moderate from S.W. steering S.E. all  
sail set So Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 41.34 Long 55.30

February 8<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
strong breezes from S.W. steering S.E. all  
sail set saw nothing middle & latter part  
light & pleasant from S heading S.W. and  
wind employed repairing fore topsail &c.  
So Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 40 48.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February

This day begins with  
moderate breezes & cloudy weather from S.W.  
steering S.E. all sail set middle & latter  
part So steering do saw nothing employed  
repairing sails &c. So Ends No. 45.

February 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & cloudy weather from S.W.  
steering S.E. employed on sails &c. middle  
& latter part light breezes & pleasant  
from S.W. all sail set steering S.W. &c.  
saw nothing So Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 42 24.

Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S.W. steering  
S.E. & all sail set employed on rigging &c.  
middle & latter part light from same steering  
same all sail set saw nothing So Ends  
Lat<sup>d</sup> 42.13 Long 79.35

Feb 12<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S.W. steering  
S.E. & middle & latter part So all sail  
set So Ends No. 46



Ship Kasper Bound To New Holland 18.56  
February 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from N<sup>W</sup> steering, S<sup>E</sup> by E saw pinbacks all sail set Middle & Latter part fresh from North thick with drisly rain So Ends No obs.

February 14<sup>th</sup> Thursday This day begins with Moderate breezes from S heading E by N on wind all sail set Middle & Latter part Light & Pleasant from Eward heading S<sup>E</sup> at 3 PM latched ship too S<sup>E</sup> all sail set wind halling too & ward So Ends Lat 11.38 Long 85.36.

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> Friday This day begins with Strong breezes & blowday from N<sup>W</sup> steering, S<sup>E</sup> & all sail set at 6 PM took in mizzen top, gallant sail & perked the Sails Middle & Latter part thick with strong breezes under & topsails & main top gallant sail So Ends Lat 11.16 Long 88.30

February 16<sup>th</sup> Saturday This day begins with Strong breezes from W steering S<sup>E</sup> by E saw pinbacks all sail set Middle & Latter part Light breezes & Pleasant from S<sup>W</sup> steering, S<sup>E</sup> by E saw pinbacks So Ends all sail set Lat 11.17 Long 88.19

February 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from W steering, S<sup>E</sup> by E all sail set saw pinbacks Middle & Latter part strong from S<sup>E</sup> heading S<sup>E</sup> by E thick foggy So Ends Lat 11.59.

Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Monday This day begins with strong breezes & thick fogs from W steering & under double reef topsails Middle & Latter part thin thick with drisly rain Sat main top gallant sail steering S<sup>E</sup> by E So Ends Lat 11.00.



Capt John Hempstead Master . 1856  
February 19<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & blowday from S.W. steering S.E. & all  
sail set saw nothing Middle & latter part Calms  
So Ends Lat 40.15.

February 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & blowday from S.E. steering S.W.  
a wind employed on rigging Middle & latter part  
strong from S.E. steering S.E. & thick & drizzling rain  
So Ends all sail set Lat 39.24 No obs by chron

February 21<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S.E. steering S.E. & blowday  
saw nothing Employed on boatsails Middle & latter  
part strong from so thick at 7 A.M. doubled  
reef the topsails So Ends Lat 37 59 Long 103.20

February 22<sup>nd</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from W.S.W. under double reef  
topsails steering S.E. & at 3 P.M. moderated made  
all sail. Middle & latter part Light & Pleasant  
from S heading S.E. & So Ends  
Lat 36 44 Long 105.6

February 23<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S.E. heading  
S.E. & all sail set Employed painting S.E.  
Middle & latter part Light breezes & Pleasant from  
S.W. steering S.E. & saw nothing So Ends  
Lat 35.56

February 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday

These 24 hours commences  
with Light breezes & Pleasant from S.W. steering  
S.E. & saw nothing Employed on rigging S.E.  
Middle & latter part Moderate breezes  
& blowday from S.E. heading S.E. & a wind  
saw nothing at 10 A.M. breezed up  
single reef the topsails So Ends  
Lat at noon 34.54 North



Ship Vesper Bound for New Holland Feb . 18. 56  
February 25<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes from S & heading S by E on wind under double reef topsails saw nothing Middle & Latter part S from same heading. Saw under double reef topsails 20 Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 33. 45 Long 108. 49

February 26<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with strong breezes from S & heading E by S on wind under double reef topsails visited the Sil sent it in got out another Saw Miller's middle & Latter part Moderate breezes & blow day from S steering E by S 20 Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 33. 01 Long 109 46 E

February 27<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with Moderate breezes & blow day weather. from S steering E by S employed on breaking ought the after to tell Saw nothing Middle & Latter part Strong breezes from S steering E by S under double reef topsails 20 Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 32 59 Long 111. 30

February 28<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes from S heading E by S Saw one ship under double reef topsails Middle & Latter part Strong from S heading S employed steering 20 Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 32 37 Long 113 09

February 29<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breezes & blow from S heading E by S employed steering. S. B. Middle & Latter part Light & Pleasant wind hauled too S by W heading S by E Saw one ship 20 Ends Lat<sup>d</sup> 32 11. Long 115. 15

February 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday  
March

This day begins with strong breezes & blow day from S by W heading S by E Saw one ship under double reef topsails Middle & Latter part Strong from S heading S by E at 12 saw the sand 20 Ends standing in shore Lat<sup>d</sup> 32 56 Long 116. 00



Capt; John; Hempstead; Master  
March 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

1856

This day begins with strong breezes & clear standing, in too geographicals day at 7 A.M. tacked ship of this river sounding. W. S. W. sent the cables & got the anchors off the bow. Middle & latter part light & clear at 8 A.M. came at anchor fired the guns. &c. Capt & wife went on shore to Ends.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

This day fine weather employed getting off water & one watch on Liberty. So Ends.

March 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with fine weather one watch on liberty getting off water. &c. So Ends

March 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with fine weather employed getting off water. &c. watch on shore So Ends one man run away Super Coleman

March 6<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with light winds & fair weather watch on shore getting off Potatoes So Ends

March 7<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breezes from S.W. morning watch on Liberty. So Ends

March 8<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong breezes & Pleasant getting off Potatoes watch on shore So Ends

March 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with light breezes & clear from S.E. finished the water & Potatoes So Ends  
at anchor.



Ship Visper It Geographers. Bay, 18.76

March 10<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear from S.E. finished the  
relatives & 6 So Ends all hands on board  
except one Kuffus. Coleman than a way So Ends

March 11<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & thick from E. with rain. Moved  
Ship & ready for sea So Ends. - Deficient off one man  
the Capt. weary. Sick on shore

March 12<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day Light winds  
& Pleasant Employed getting ready for sea  
at 5 P.M. the Capt. came on board  
too calm too start So Ends

March 13<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
moderate breezes & clear from S.E. at daylight  
set under way & at 9 A.M. passed Cape Suter  
bearing S.W. Dist 3 miles steering W. So Ends

March 14<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
strong breezes from S.E. & headwinds W. & N.W.  
the Capt. taken very sick Ship under double  
reef topsails at Sandown took in Sail & mainsail  
middle & latter part Pleasant Capt. better Maist  
all sail steering, W. Saw nothing, So Ends

March 15<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant all sail. Set Steer in  
W. Saw nothing Sandown took in sail  
middle & latter part So at daylight Maist all  
sail headwinds, & at 11 P.M. saw one ship attending  
do So Ends Lat 32 S. L 12

March 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from W. heading S.E. & N.E.  
nothing Sandown took in sail. Middle & latter  
part So Maist sail saw nothing, So Ends Lat 31 S. L 9



Capt John Hempstead Master 18.56  
March 17<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from SSW heading up  
low wind back at sundown took in all  
too, Double reef topsail Middle & Latter part  
Light & Pleasant from E steering at day  
Light then all day no wind.  
Lat<sup>o</sup> 31 37 Long 112.06

March 18<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

These 24 hours commences  
with light breezes & Pleasant from E steering  
at all sail set saw nothing at sundown  
too, in sail S.E. Middle & latter part  
Pleasant from SSW heading up  
sail set to "Employed" sending up fore  
sail mast Lat<sup>o</sup> 31.00

March 19<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from SSW heading  
at W saw nothing Employed an waggie  
at sundown took in sail S.E.  
Middle & latter part Strong from S  
all sail heading SSW to End  
Lat<sup>o</sup> 30.07 Long 110.15

March 20<sup>th</sup> Thursday

These 24 hours commences  
with Strong breezes & Pleasant under  
Double reef topsails at sundown took in  
sail Middle & latter part right & left  
at daylight hauled out latter part  
Saw nothing Employed an waggie to E  
to End.

March 21<sup>st</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from E steering  
W.S.W. Employed an waggie saw nothing  
sundown took in sail middle & latter  
part Pleasant breezes & breeze from  
S.E. steering W.S.W. sail nothing  
Employed an waggie in S.E. sail  
Lat<sup>o</sup> 29.10. Long 108.05



Ship's Log, of the W. J. Van. Holland  
March 22<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

These 2d. hours commence  
with strong breezes from S E heading W  
S. W. Employed in weighing at 3 P M.  
The ship's Logbook at New Bedford  
15 months out. 155 lbs of Sp. oil at 10.00  
Sail in Ch. & S. C. Middle & latter part  
strong breezes & blowday from S. W. under  
double reef topsails to End  
Lat 28 12 Long 102 50

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

These 2d. hours commence  
with strong breezes from S E heading  
W. S. W. at sundown took in sail  
nothing. Middle & latter part light & pleasant  
from S E heading W. Saw no ship to End  
Lat 28.10

March 24<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from S E heading  
W. S. W. Saw humpbacks sundown took in  
sail Middle & latter part light & Pleasant  
from S E heading W. S. W. no wind all sail  
S. W. Employed in weighing & saw nothing.  
No Ends Lat 29.06 Long 101.05

March 25<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from S E heading  
S. S. W. Saw nothing. Employed in weighing the  
weighing S. C. at sundown took in sail  
Middle & latter part light & Pleasant  
from S E heading W. S. W. saw nothing  
all sail to End Lat 29.08

March 26<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

These 2d. hours commence  
with light breezes & Pleasant from S E heading  
S. S. W. saw nothing. Employed in weighing  
S. C. at sundown took in sail Middle  
& latter part light breezes & Pleasant heading  
S. W. Employed in weighing, saw no ship  
nothing. No Ends  
Lat 28 13 Long 106.50



Capt. John Hempstead Master 18.50  
March 27<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S heading to  
S.W. Nothing Employed repairing till 10  
P.M. Middle & latter part light & pleasant  
from S heading till 8 Employed as  
usual till 10 till 2.30

March 28<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S heading  
Eastward saw Nothing Employed repairing  
till 10 P.M. Middle & latter part light & pleasant  
from S heading till 8 Employed as  
usual till 10 till 2.30

March 29<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S heading  
Eastward saw Nothing Employed repairing  
till 10 P.M. Middle & latter part light & pleasant  
from S heading till 8 Employed as  
usual till 10 till 2.30

March 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & blow day from S heading  
S.W. under double reef, top sails, sun down  
tack in sail Middle & latter part light & pleasant  
from S heading till 8 Employed as  
usual till 10 till 2.30

March 31<sup>st</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S heading S.W.  
under short reef at sun down tack in  
sail saw one fair pack Middle & latter  
part light breezes from S heading  
Nothing tack in sail till 10 till 2.30



Ship Sister of New Holland  
April 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

These 24 hours commenced with light breezes & pleasant from NW heading. At 10 AM saw nothing. Employed painting boats &c. at sundown boat in sail middle & latter part light breezes & cloudy heading. Saw nothing. Employed as usual. To 28.03 Long No. 1's

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

These 24 hours commenced with light breezes & cloudy from SE W heading. Employed as usual. Heading towards middle & latter part light breeze from SE heading. At 11 AM saw nothing. Employed as usual. To 28.03 Long No. 1's

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

Light breezes from NW heading. Employed as usual. At 1 PM off shore 3 ships. The largest of New Holland 1000 bbls of sperm & the second of 1100 bbls of sperm. The third of 1000 bbls of sperm. Heading SE & 3 ships. Employed as usual. To 28.03 Long No. 1's

April 4<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from SE heading. At 1 PM off shore 3 ships. The largest of New Holland 1000 bbls of sperm & the second of 1100 bbls of sperm. The third of 1000 bbls of sperm. Heading SE & 3 ships. Employed as usual. To 28.03 Long No. 1's

April 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light breezes & cloudy from SE heading. At 1 PM off shore 3 ships. The largest of New Holland 1000 bbls of sperm & the second of 1100 bbls of sperm. The third of 1000 bbls of sperm. Heading SE & 3 ships. Employed as usual. To 28.03 Long No. 1's



John Wimpstead Master 1856  
April 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong breezes & blowday from S.W. heading S.E. Laying the middle & latter part strong from S.W. heading S.E. saw one ship to Ennis Latt 26.06.

April 7<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with moderate breezes & blowday from S.E. heading S.W. Employed as usual at 10 AM. Spent ship India Capt. Macdonald & months out 500 whale & one of sperm Middle & latter part light & pleasant from S.W. heading Southward saw nothing Employed painting & boat to Ennis Latt 26 27

April 8<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from Southward heading S.W. saw nothing Employed as usual at sundown took in sail middle & latter part light & pleasant from S.W. heading Southward saw nothing Employed as usual to Ennis Latt 28 29

April 9<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S.W. heading S.W. saw nothing Employed as usual took in sail at sundown middle & latter part strong breezes & blowday from Southward heading S.W. Employed as usual under full sail Latt 25.56 South

April 10<sup>th</sup> Thursday

These 2d hours commence with strong breezes & blowday from Southward heading S.W. under double reef to Ennis Employed as usual took in sail middle & latter part strong breezes & blowday from S.W. heading S.W. saw one ship 10 AM. Spent ship India Capt. Macdonald & months out 105 lbs of sperm sold here a boat & sent it on board to Ennis. No obs 47



Ship Resper of New Willard Cruising, for spring

April 11<sup>th</sup> Friday  
These 24 hours commences  
with strong breezes & blowday from S S E  
hauling S S W under double reef topsails saw  
the large blunderbuss employed as usual  
middle & latter part S S E strong hauling  
do saw nothing do ends no ends

April 12<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
This day commences  
with strong breezes & blowday weather from S S E  
hauling S S E under double reef topsails saw  
nothing employed as usual at gunnery  
in sail middle & latter part strong from  
S S E hauling do employed as usual  
do ends no ends

April 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
This 24 hours commences  
with strong breezes & squally from S S E  
hauling S S E under double reef topsails saw  
nothing employed as usual at gunnery  
middle & latter part strong from S S E hauling  
do haulday. This was the 1st result  
Sails 27.29

April 14<sup>th</sup> Monday  
This day begins  
with strong breezes & blowday from  
S S E hauling S S E under double reef topsails  
in sail middle & latter part do hauling  
do employed as usual do ends

April 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
This day begins  
with strong breezes & clear from S S E  
hauling S S E under double reef topsails saw  
nothing employed as usual at gunnery  
middle & latter part do hauling do hauling  
do ends no ends

April 16<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
This day begins  
with strong breezes & clear from S S E  
hauling S S E under double reef topsails saw  
nothing employed as usual at gunnery  
middle & latter part do hauling do hauling  
do ends no ends



Iohn Kempstead Master

April 17<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day

This has begun with strong gales & rain from 1 to noon & in evening & night moderating. Middle & latter part more moderate. Saw nothing so fresh.

April 18<sup>th</sup> Friday

Today This day begins with  
Stomach braces & clear brain. It found his  
s. 7th inner. Abdominal system. Due to  
Middle & Latter part of day. To at it  
top of the body on the under the upper pinches  
from the lower repairing it staying strong.  
To. Ends

April 19<sup>th</sup> Saturday

17th Saturday This day begins with  
strong breezes & clear sky, but to under  
strong till 11 AM. A little rain & strong  
gales from S & S.W. to heading in  
S. S.W. Lat 24.47 Long 105.16

April 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
strong gales & clear from S E Laying low  
under short sail Middle & latter part  
S Laying to S E End

April 21<sup>st</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes from E. laying to midday & rather more moderate. Made sail about 10 AM. set topsails & E. sub

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

strong troops from E heading S. Saw nothing  
in the dark S. from S. heading  
S. E. on trip to Carl's last 21.11.

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
strong breeze & clear from N. E. there is  
sign of wind saw nothing. Middle  
rather part of day as you call  
saw nothing. The birds ————— 49



Ship - Vespers of New Holland  
April 21<sup>st</sup> Thursday These 24 hours

Thursday  
Spent 2 hours  
commencing with eight prayers & singing  
from 10 to 12. I then in the afternoon  
to 6 o'clock. I then in the afternoon  
employed as usual to 10 o'clock.

Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Friday

25<sup>th</sup> *Thursday* This day begins with  
Moderate breezes & clear weather from S.E. heading  
S. & continues in your note until 12. After  
that the white wave S.E. heading S. & S. with  
nothing so fresh Lat 25 10 Long 106.50

April 26<sup>th</sup> Saturday

26. Saturday. This day commenced with Light breezes & Pleasant from E S E heading as we all sail but saw nothing. Continued as usual. Sun down and in. Sail N E. E. gentle & rather fresh with breezes & Pleasant from N. Saw nothing to 12 miles.

April 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday

with light breeze as pleasant from  
E.N.E. heading. I saw nothing  
middle or latter part. Light & Pleasant  
from so saw 2 ships to E. S. S.  
Left 25.33

April 28<sup>th</sup> Monday,

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from E & S  
hereafter, & I saw, per back B. Muller  
the latter part light from so heading  
do saw nothing to Encls. Sat 24th  
Long 107. 25

April 29<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

At 11 Wednesday, This day begins  
with Light breezes & clear from E. S. W.  
hauling L. S. E. at 3 P.M. spoke Burgoe  
Monmouth of Cold Spring 17 from the aut  
34. lbs. with a little light breeze  
& Massett from 20 hauling to four nothing  
Do Ends L



John Kempstead Master —  
April 30<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S E heading.  
S E employed as usual. Saw the Barge  
Monmouth at 1. The Capt went on board  
Sunday took in. Sail. Middle & Latter part  
Light & Pleasant from S E heading. S E  
employed as usual on ship in sight  
No Birds. Lat 25. 45

April 30<sup>th</sup>  
May 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S E heading.  
S E & Saw nothing, one ship in sight. Employed  
as usual. Middle & Latter part. Pleasant  
from S E heading. S E employed as usual.  
Saw nothing. No Birds. Lat 25. 30 Long 110. 20

May 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Moderate breezes & Pleasant from S E heading.  
S E Saw nothing. Employed on wriggle. S. E.  
middle & latter part. Strong from S E  
heading. S E Saw nothing. No Birds.  
Lat 25. 58 Long 110. 15

May 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

This day begins  
with Strong breezes & Clear. From S E  
Saw nothing. Heading. S E employed  
on wriggle. S. E. Middle & Latter part  
Saw nothing. No Birds. No obs.

May 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins  
with Light breezes & Pleasant from S E  
heading. S E Middle & Latter  
part. No smoke the ship Congrat  
Coley 21 months out. Lat 26. 00. Obs 11.00  
Saw no Birds

May 5<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day is Light  
& Pleasant from S E heading. Lat 26  
west. Middle & latter part. Light from S  
Saw the Barge Elshar. Number 17 months  
out. Lat 26. 45. No Birds.



Ship Vesper off New Holland 18.56  
May 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with strong breezes & blowday from S.E. heading S.E. saw one ship the Congress bound Hobart employed as you would think. Middle & latter part Light breezes & Pleasant from S.E. heading S.E. saw hutch employed on wigger. S.E. So Ends Latt 23.51

May 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from S.E. saw hutch employed on wigger. S.E. Middle & latter part Light & Pleasant from S.E. 6 ships in sight So Ends —

May 8<sup>th</sup> Thursday This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from W heading S.E. saw 6 ships Middle & latter part Do employed on wigger So Ends —

May 9<sup>th</sup> Friday This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from W heading S.E. employed on wigger. S.E. Middle & latter part Do heading S.E. saw 2 ships So Ends Latt 23.20 Long 112.30

May 10<sup>th</sup> Saturday This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from S.E. heading S.E. saw nothing Middle & latter part Moderate & Clear from S.E. heading S.W. So Ends Latt 23.51

May 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday This day begins with strong breezes & blowday from S.E. heading S.W. saw nothing the Capt. sick Middle & latter part Do Pleasant from E heading S.W. all sail set the Capt. very sick bound for Geographers bay So Ends Latt 26.07 Long 111.20



Whe Hampstead Muster 12.56  
May 12<sup>th</sup> Monday

These 24 hours  
Commencis with Light breezes &  
pleasant from S.W. heading S.E.  
the capt very sick Saw pinbacks  
middle & latter part strong from S.E.  
heading S.W. S.E. winds Latt 26. 29 Long 102. 40

May 13<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & clear from S.E. heading  
S.W. at 4 P.M. seized up the topsails  
the capt sick middle & latter part  
strong from S.W. heading S.W. under tops  
sails the capt little better S.E. winds  
Latt 27. 26 Long 104. 30

May 14<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & clear from S.E. heading  
S.W. Saw pinbacks employed as usual  
middle & latter part Strong from S.E.  
heading S.W. S.E. winds Latt 28 40 Long 107. 30

May 15<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S.E. heading S.E. W.  
Employed as usual Saw nothing under  
top sails middle & latter part Light &  
cloudy from S.E. heading S.E. Employed  
as usual S.E. winds Latt 30. 11. Long 102. 40

May 16<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with Light  
breezes from S.E. steering S.E. happy weather  
Saw nothing middle & latter part Strong  
from S.E. one of the men would not go  
too mast head the Capt. Macl. him  
stand up on the cooler cover & he told  
him that he had as lives stand their  
as any. When after dinner I found  
him setting down on the cooler told  
him to stand up he jumped off  
got over the rail & then fell too jump  
over board. I caught him by the collar  
S.E. winds & hauled him in & hit him side of the  
with 309 head 2 or 3 times put him in irons



Ship Vesper Bound In to Geographers Bay,  
May 17<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S.W. Steering  
S.E. & S. saw humpbacks Employed as usual  
middle & latter part night & day from  
S.W. steering S.E. saw humpbacks in clouds  
Lat 32.20 Long 111.09

May 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S.W. Steering  
S.E. saw humpbacks all sail set. Middle & latter  
part Light breezes & blowday from S.W. heading  
S.E. to S. Lat 33.06 Long 111.21

May 19 Monday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & blowday from S.W. Steering  
S.E. took in top gullent sails. Middle & latter  
part Strong gales & heavy snows off shore  
took in the breast reef main top sail  
Lasted 4 hours from S.E. to S. Lat 33.40 Long 113.40

May 20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S.W. Steering  
S.E. all sail set haled up & bent the chains  
middle & latter part Light breeze from S.W.  
heading S.E. at 10.45 saw humpbacks  
Lat 33.59 Long 115.09

May 21<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear weather from S.W.  
Steering S.E. in to Geographers Bay  
at 8.30 commenced to haul up  
from S.W. Middle & latter part Strong  
gale from S.W. with heavy rain S.E. sails  
at 3.30 came to anchor. Sent down

May 22<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

Top & mast yards & masts  
This day begins with  
Strong gales from S.W. Laying at anchor  
with 20 fathoms of chain out S.E. sails



John Hemphstead Master  
May 23<sup>rd</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Moderate weather. & squally from S.W. Lying  
at anchor. So Ends

May 24<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S.W. Lying  
at anchor. Employed getting off Potatoes &c  
So Ends.

May 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins  
with Light breezes. & clear. from S.W. at 9  
A.M. got under way, sent the boat on  
shore for a goat and man run away  
by the name of. Jarrick. Wanser. So Ends

May 26<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear from S.W. at 10 P.M.  
Cape Naturalis bearing S 1st 5. Miles Middle  
& latter part Light & cloudy from East  
steering S.W. So Ends Lat 32.54.

May 27<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & cloudy from S.W. Lying  
at anchor. Employed getting up top sail  
middle & latter part light & clear  
from S steering S.W. Employed on  
wriggin. &c. So Ends the old -

May 28<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S steering  
S.W. Employed on wriggin. &c. saw nothing  
middle & latter part so saw nothing So Ends  
Lat 30.42

May 29<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant, from S.W. hailing S.E. saw fine birds  
middle & latter part Light breeze & hailing  
East all sail set saw nothing So Ends  
Lat 30.22



Ship Vesper of Coast of New Holland  
May 30 Friday

This day begins with light breezes from S. heading. At all sail. Set Middle & latter part Strong from S. E. both in sail blowing from with heavy rain accompanied with thunder & lightning at 11 A.M. wind hauled to W heading. S. D. So Ends Lat 30.40

May 31<sup>st</sup> Saturday

This day begins with Strong gales from W. heading. S. D. under Close reef main topsail & foresail little. At the last Strong gales from W. heading. S. D. at day light saw the land during the night. 20 miles. Two ship heading S. W. So Ends Lat 30.03

June 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

This day begins with Strong gales & squally under double reef topsails & courses heading S. W. Middle & latter part Strong gales from W. heading from S. W. & W. under short sail beating of Shore So Ends Lat 29.02 Long 116.17

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

This day begins with Strong gales from S. W. beating of shore under Close reef topsails & reef courses at 6 P.M. rounded got bottom 30 fathoms set S. E. Middle & latter part moderate breeze and the reefs holding our one till daylight at light saw the reef left off the S. D. too go throw S. D. & ends Lat 28.35 Long 116.078

June 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S. W. heading from S. W. too S. E. & working throw at 6 P.M. the S. Point of the reef bearing W. Lat 20 Miles Middle & latter part light & calm begin S. W. saw the main land So Ends wind from W. S. D. Lat 27.42



John Hemphstead Master  
June 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from NW heading  
from 27° 45' to 35° 45'. Saw nothing  
all sail. Middle & latter part light &  
squally from 47' heading from 8° 45' to  
35° 45' to ends Lat 27. 17

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

This day commences  
with light breezes & pleasant from 8° 45'  
steering NW Saw pinbacks middle &  
latter part light breeze & calm from  
8° 45' steering 18° 45' saw nothing to ends  
Lat 26. 02

June 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear from 8° 45' steering  
18° 45' saw nothing middle & latter part  
light & pleasant from 8° 45' steering 18° 45'  
saw nothing to ends employed at sundown  
Sails Lat 25. 03 Long 110. 46

June 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from 8° 45' steering  
18° 45' employed Mending Sails &c at sundown  
took in sail steering 18° 45' Middle & latter  
part light & pleasant from 8° 45' steering  
North saw pinbacks to ends  
Lat 23. 54

June 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from 8° 45'  
heading 18° 45' at sundown took in  
sail Middle & latter part light from  
8° 45' heading South saw nothing  
to ends Lat 23. 02

June 6<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins  
with light breezes & pleasant from 8° 45'  
steering 18° 45' Middle & latter part  
employed Mending Sails to ends



Ship's Log of the *Albatross* 1856  
June 10<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from East southing. South employed mending sails saw few birds. Middle & latter part of day hazy. Do saw pinbacks Do Ends last 24.40.

June 11<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S.E. at 2.41 M. tacked off standing too far & S.E. employed mending sails. Middle & latter part light & pleasant from Do heading Do Do Ends last 24.32

June 12<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from E. heading S.E. by S. saw few birds & Do & latter part cloudy. Middle & latter part light & pleasant. Do saw nothing Do Ends last 24.50.

June 13<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with light breezes & calm. frequent light rain. few pinbacks Middle & latter part calm weather from S.E. heading E. saw nothing. Do saw an albatross & Do Ends last 24.52

June 14<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from N. steering East at 1.15 saw few pinbacks - Middle & latter part Do saw nothing Do Ends

June 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from N. steering S.E. saw nothing. Middle & latter part Do saw nothing. Do Ends last 23.30



John Hampstead Master. 1856  
June 16<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S.W. & heading  
S. by E. saw nothing Middle & latter part  
light & pleasant from S. heading toward  
Co. Ends lat 23.30

June 17<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from S.W. heading  
S. by E. saw nothing Middle & latter part  
light & pleasant from S. heading toward  
Co. Ends lat 23.30

June 18<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & heavy from S.W. steering  
S. by E. saw a ship Middle & latter part  
strong from S. steering S. Co. Ends

June 19<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & clear from S.W. heading  
S. by E. saw nothing Middle &  
latter part S. Co. Ends lat 20.25

June 20<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins  
with light breezes & pleasant from  
S.W. heading S. by E. Middle & latter  
part strong gales & cloudy from S. heading  
S. by E. Co. Ends under short sail lat 19.31

June 21<sup>st</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & cloudy from S.W. heading  
S. by E. saw nothing under short reef topsails  
Middle & latter part strong breezes  
& pleasant at 9 AM saw the vessel  
bearing W. Dist 20 miles steering  
S. by E. Co. Ends lat 20.31



June 22<sup>nd</sup> Vesper of W. West Coast of New  
Sunday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & clear weather from E  
heading S. E. at 2. At 4 PM saw the main  
land light in hills at 7 PM came  
at anchor in 12 fathoms. The humpbacks  
covered the success. Middle & latter part  
they came to the beach. At 10 PM  
we saw them at 1.5 to 2 miles but  
a reef and land were in the way  
the damage sustained, to the boat  
at 20 miles

June 23<sup>rd</sup> Monday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from E beating  
a long shore at sundown came at  
anchor in 8 fathoms of water  
middle & latter part strong from E  
beating to S. E. at 12 came to again  
saw one humpback to E and S at 20 miles

June 24<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
This day begins with  
moderate breezes & clear from E and S  
the middle & latter part E  
beating up to the Rosemarys. To E and S

June 25<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & clear from E and S at  
6 AM came at anchor in hills at  
the Rosemarys. At 10 AM in 7 fathoms  
saw one humpback. Middle & latter  
part light breezes & pleasant from E  
with head tide & wind laying at anchor  
to E and S

June 26<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from E and S  
at 3 PM anchor came Muring in three  
the islands were seen to the S Middle  
& latter part light & pleasant from  
S. E. at anchor, saw steering to S. E.  
saw the sun to E and S



Whitcomb, John, Hempstead, Master  
June 27<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from S E Steering S E Saw humpback Lourell No success at Sun down came at anchor in 10 fathoms Middle & Latter So barked one humpback no success To Ends

June 28 Saturday

This day begins with Light & Pleasant weather Lying at anchor Middle & Latter part So Saw nothing. So Ends Spoke North Star.

June 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant Lying at anchor at daylight got under way Steering S E Saw 2 humpbacks Middle & Latter part So To Ends

June 30<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from E heading from S E to south at 3 M got sounding in 4 fathoms of water Middle & Latter part So To Ends. Latt 20.31.

July 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant beating along shore at 2 Saw whale Lourell struck & turned up one took him to the 15. Mls ship set go the anchor & cut him in Middle & Latter part other took byworks To Ends

July 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with Light breezes & clear from S E & E morning at anchor employed towing with 3 M part strong from So Employed Lying To Ends - Latt 20.16



Ship. *Wasp* of S.W. of New Holland  
July 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & clear from E. Sailing at  
anchors at 1 P.M. boated down middle &  
latter part strong gales from E at 6 A.M.  
got under way. Punching all the S. & E. ends  
Lat 20.17

July 11<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from E at 1 P.M.  
came at anchor in 8 fathoms. Commenced  
to the town saw whale. Secured. Tracked  
landed him up took him together & put  
him in. finished at 4 P.M. Middle &  
latter part light & pleasant from E. Sailing  
at anchor employed staying down to ends

July 12<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from E. Sailing at anchor  
latter part moderate breezes & clear  
from E. at 5 A.M. got under way. Sailing  
to S. & E. bound up to the middle of the  
started try works to ends

July 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
moderate breezes & pleasant from S.W.  
Sailing at anchor. Latter part strong gales  
from S.W. at 6 A.M. got under way. Sailing  
to S. & E. bound up to the middle of the  
started try works to ends

July 14<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear sailing at anchor  
saw S. Star Middle & latter part  
do saw nothing to ends

July 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & clear from E. Sailing at  
anchors Middle & latter part do  
sailing at anchor to ends



John Hempstead Master 1856  
July 9 Wednesday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from E. Laying at anchor Middle & Lutter part Do Do Ends

July 10<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes Laying at anchor Middle & Lutter part Do raising whales Do Ends

July 11<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breezes from E. Laying at anchor Employed chasing whales Middle & Lutter part strong gales & clear from Do. Laying at anchor Do Ends

July 12<sup>th</sup>

Saturday

This day begins with strong gales from E. Laying at anchor saw whales Middle & Lutter part strong breezes & clear from E. at 11 AM the Mate of the North Star came on board the ship cast away, on board 40 men & 40 barrels

July 13<sup>th</sup>

Sunday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from E. got under way to work up to the rock Middle & Lutter part strong gales from E. at 10 AM took the anchor & employed hunting up to the rock Do Ends

July 14<sup>th</sup>

Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from E. Employed hunting up to the rock - at 10 AM came at anchor at midnight took the anchor stood in for the Island at 4 AM came at anchor 5 miles from the rock Do Ends



May 1<sup>st</sup> 1851 of N.H. of New Holland  
July 15<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & clear from East at  
anchors of Bechoit & Land at 7 AM  
Capt. [unclear] wife came on board for [unclear]

July 16<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day strong from  
SE at 10 AM Capt. [unclear] on board at  
the [unclear] took charge of [unclear]

July 17<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day pleasant  
the ship was sold ship & oil at  
one dollar per bbl & ship & cargo for one  
hundred dollars. Commenced to pack  
the [unclear] & employed packing untill  
the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July

August 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

This day finished  
[unclear] the [unclear] on board & at 4 PM  
[unclear] the anchor & started for  
the [unclear] of Mauritius Middle &  
Latter part fresh breezes from SE strong  
W & W all sail set & [unclear] Left 18.59

August 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

This day employed  
setting & building sails Middle & Latter  
part light & pleasant from SE to E  
Left 18.20

August 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from SE  
middle & latter part employed setting  
building sails to ends

August 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear employed  
setting building sails strong W & W  
Middle & latter do employed  
unrigging & G.E. to ends  
Left 17.35



John Henrystead Master 1856  
August 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins  
with Light breezes & Pleasant from  
SW steering NW all sail set Middle  
& Lutter part Light breezes & clear all sail  
set steering NW all ends Latt 17.55  
Long 111 2

August 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear steering NW all  
sail set Middle & Lutter part do  
steering do do ends Latt 17.47

August 7<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear from S steering  
NW all sail set Middle & Lutter part  
do steering do do ends Latt 18.47

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins  
with Light breezes & clear from S steering  
NW all sail set Middle & Lutter  
part do employed painting boats do ends  
Latt 16.37

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear steering NW all  
sail set employed painting boats  
Middle & Lutter part do steering  
do do ends Latt 16.55

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from E  
steering NW all sail set Middle  
& Lutter part do steering do  
do ends employed on boats  
Latt 16.55 Long 105 28

August 11 Monday

This day begins  
with Light breezes & all sail set steering  
NW Middle & Lutter part do  
do ends Latt 16.57 65



Ship Vesper Bound to St. of France  
August 12<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from E. steering  
W. employed on boats middle & fore part  
part to steering to do ends

August 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & pleasant from E. steering  
W. all sail set middle part to all  
sail set steering W. to ends Luff 17.11

August 14<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & clear from E. steering  
W. all sail set middle part to  
steering to do ends Luff 17.17

Aug 15 Friday  
This day begins  
with strong breezes & squally from  
E. steering W. & W. middle part  
to strong & rainy from E. took in  
studding sails to ends Luff 16.46

August 16<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
This day begins with  
strong breezes & squally from E. steering  
W. at 7.30 AM put 2 men in the rigging  
& stopped them & put them in irons  
(in irons) in the run for hauling ports & dunnage  
duty. Middle part strong with heavy  
squalls steering W. under topsails & main  
top gallant sail to ends Luff 16.40

August 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
This day begins  
with strong breezes & squally from  
E. steering W. middle part to  
steering W. to ends Luff 16.45 Long 90.80

August 18<sup>th</sup> Monday  
This day begins with  
strong breezes & rain squalls steering W. all sail  
set middle & fore part to steering to  
saw ship to ends Luff 16.56 Long 87.40



John Hampstead Master 1756.  
August 17<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with moderate breezes & blowy day from E steering W all sail set Middle & Latter part with from E steering W all sail set to Ends Lat 17.00 Long 84.30

August 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with fresh breezes & clear from E steering W all sail set Middle & Latter part to steering do to Ends No obs

August 21<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes & blowy from E steering W Middle & Latter part to steering W under double reefed sails to Ends No obs

August 22<sup>nd</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breezes & squally from E steering W under single reef top sails & stop gallant sails Middle & Latter part to steering West to Ends

August 23<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong breezes & squally from E steering W Middle & Latter part strong breezes & clear weather Gay legs bunching home to Ends Lat 37.03 Long 72.30

August 24 Sunday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from E steering W Employed bunching home Middle & Latter part strong from E steering W all sail set to Ends Lat 37 49 Long 69.42

August 25<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from E steering W all sail set Middle & Latter part strong & squally from E steering do to Ends Lat 38 12 Long 66.30



Ship Vesper Bound to St Land of Mauritius  
August 26<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

These 24 hours commence  
with strong breezes from E & E Steering  
W & S employed cleaning Bone & Middle  
& latter part strong breezes from E & E  
steering W & S employed on Bone & Ends  
Lat 14.00 Long 63.25

August 27<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & squally from S & E Steering  
W & S. Middle & latter part do Steering  
do do Ends Lat 20.03 Long 60.55

August 28<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
fresh breezes & clear from E Steering W & S  
employed Scraping Bone Middle & latter  
part Squally at 9 AM saw the land  
& at 7 PM came at anchor so ends

August 29<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
pleasant employed shifting over North further  
in shore So Ends

August 30 Saturday

This day begins with  
pleasant weather employed painting  
& scrubbing ship

August 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday

This day employed  
as usual So Ends

Sept 1<sup>st</sup>

Monday

This day pleasant  
employed painting ship & c. So Ends

Sept

2 Tuesday

This day begins with  
pleasant weather employed painting  
ship & c. So Ends

Sept

3 Wednesday

This day begins with pleasant  
weather employed stringing between decks So Ends



John Kempstead Master  
Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant Employed on breaking  
out G.C. So Ends

Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Pleasant Employed on sending on Shore spars  
& G.C. So Ends

Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

This day begins  
with Light & Pleasant weather Employed  
on breaking out G.C. So Ends

Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Pleasant weather one watch on shore  
on tiding G.C. So Ends

Sept 5<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins  
with Pleasant weather one watch on  
shore 3 Men run away G.C. So Ends

Sept 6<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Pleasant weather Employed on breaking  
out G.C. So Ends

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Pleasant weather one watch on watch on  
shore 8 Men run away G.C. So Ends

Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Pleasant weather Employed on breaking  
out G.C. So Ends

Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins  
with Pleasant weather Employed on  
Stowing Bds & Boils So Ends



Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> Saturday. This day begins with  
Pleasant weather Employed getting water  
& the sack things on shore & So Ends

Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday. This day begins with  
Pleasant weather one watch on Liberty  
& So Ends

Sept 15<sup>th</sup> Monday. This day begins with  
Light & Pleasant weather Employed  
selling & getting the things on shore  
& So Ends

Sept 16<sup>th</sup> Tuesday. This day Pleasant  
Employed as usual & So Ends

Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. This day begins with  
Pleasant weather Employed getting off  
water & So Ends

Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Thursday. This day begins with  
Pleasant weather Employed getting the  
things on shore & So Ends

Sept 19 Friday. This day begins with  
Pleasant weather Employed setting up  
shovers for water & So Ends

Sept 20 Saturday. This day begins with  
Pleasant weather Employed on shore  
& So Ends

Sept 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday. This day begins  
with Light breezes & Pleasant. Employed  
as usual on the salt path & So Ends



Sept 22<sup>th</sup> Monday  
Pleasant weather Employed getting off water  
& on Shocks So Ends This day begins with

Sept 23<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
Employed. So So Ends This day Pleasant

Sept 24<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
Employed as usual getting off  
water & on Shocks So Ends This day Pleasant

Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
Employed on water, &c. So Ends This day Pleasant

Sept 26<sup>th</sup> Friday  
with Pleasant weather and watch our  
liberty getting water &c. So Ends This day begins

Sept 27<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
with Pleasant weather Employed  
rigging in flying Kilboom & Kilboom  
to repair the cap on the bowsprit found  
it rotten This day begins

Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
Employed as usual on the Sabbath  
So Ends This day Pleasant

Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Monday  
Employed clearing of decks & waiting  
fore the cap on the Bowsprit  
So Ends This day Pleasant

Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
Pleasant weather Waiting fore the  
cap So Ends This day begins with



Thurs  
Sept 31 Bound for the South pole whals

31 Wednesday

This day Pleasant  
at 3 P M the Cap came off & the men  
that run away employed getting ready for  
Sea To Ends

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & Pleasant - Employed getting  
ready for Sea To Ends

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday

This day Pleasant  
at daylight commenced to heave up anchor  
at 9 AM got under way from N of France  
Middle & Latter part at 12 PM the total  
distance 8 miles To Ends

Oct 3 Saturday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from ESE steering  
SW employed staying anchors & chains  
Middle & Latter part To closed watches  
& To Ends  
Sept 21-09

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant weather from  
E steering SSE on wind saw pinbacks  
& 2 sails Middle & Latter part fresh  
& Pleasant from E heaving & To Ends

Oct 5<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
fresh breezes & Pleasant from just heaving  
South saw pinbacks Middle & Latter part  
So Squally steering SSE on wind To Ends

Oct 6<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
fresh breezes from E heaving SSE saw  
pinbacks & on ship Middle & Latter part  
Pleasant from So Employed painting  
boats To Ends



John Hempstead Master  
Oct 7<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from E Steering  
S & E saw pinbacks employed  
bitting up Smoke Pipes on the tryworks  
Middle & Latter part Pleasant from E & E  
Steering S & E all sail set Employed mending  
Sails No Ends

Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from E & E Steering  
S & E Employed mending Sails Middle &  
Latter part Steering S & E saw pinbacks  
Employed repairing Sails No Ends Latt 29. 16

Oct 9<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from E & E Steering  
S & E all sail set Employed repairing Sails  
Middle & Latter part Light breeze & Pleasant  
Employed mending Sails S & E Saw pinbacks  
No Ends Latt 31. 10 S

Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Moderate breezes & Clear weather from  
E & E Steering S & E Saw pinbacks  
Employed mending Sails Middle  
& Latter part heading S & E saw pinbacks  
Employed mending Sails No Ends Latt 31. 19

Oct 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from E & E heading South  
and finished a squall. Middle & Latter  
part Light & Pleasant from S heading  
S at 10 AM saw right whale. Lowered  
No Success No Ends Latt 32. 59

Oct 12<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
Pleasant from E heading S Saw pinbacks  
Latt 33. 40 Middle & Latter part Light & Pleasant from  
S & E heading E & S Saw pinbacks at sundown took in sail  
No Ends



Ship Vesper Cruising for Whales 1856  
Oct 13<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

}}} This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from S. & E. heading  
& saw finbacks & employed hauling out between  
decks & staying Scuttle but middle & latter  
part light & Pleasant from S. & E. heading &  
saw finbacks & employed hauling up between  
decks & ends Latt 33 24

Oct 14<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes from S. & E. heading & employed  
in hauling up between decks. Saw finbacks  
at sundown took in sail middle &  
latter part light & Pleasant at daylight  
mailed sail standing too & ward & employed  
as usual & ends No obs

Oct 15<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins  
with light breezes & Pleasant from S. &  
heading & saw finbacks & employed  
as usual at sundown took in sail  
middle & latter part strong breezes & hazy  
from S. & E. heading & at daylight mailed sail saw  
finbacks & ends Latt 34 15

Oct 16<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & hazy from S. & heading & E.  
& saw finbacks at sundown took in  
sail middle & latter part so strong  
& raining took in fore top sail & ends  
No obs

Oct 17<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & thick rainy day for  
middle & latter part more moderate  
set for topsail steering S. & E. & ends  
Latt 33.23



John Hempstead Master 1856  
Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with moderate breezes & clear from S.W. heading S.E. Saw nothing Middle & latter part strong from S.E. heading E.S.E. saw pinbacks No Ends Lat 33.20

Oct 19<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & hazy from S.S.E. heading S.W. on wind saw pinbacks Middle & latter part so heading so saw any quantity of pinbacks No Ends Lat 34.20

Oct 20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S.S.E. heading S.W. saw pinbacks at sundown took in full Middle & latter part light breezes & calm saw pinbacks No Ends Employed mending sails

Oct 21<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S. heading S.W. saw pinback at sundown took in full Middle & latter part strong gales & squally from S. laying to under short sail No Ends

Oct 22 Thursday

This day begins with strong gales from W.S.W. laying to under short sail Middle & latter part so laying to No Ends Lat 33.20

Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> Friday

This day begins with moderate breezes & clear from W.S.W. laying to at for sail saw nothing Middle & latter part more moderate at daylight made sail turning S.E. saw pinbacks No Ends Lat 34.18



Ship Vesper Cruising for Whales  
October 24<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
light breezes from N W Steering S E  
Saw pinbacks at sundown took in  
sail middle & latter part strong from N  
steering W W in wind daylight haul sail  
Saw pinbacks to ends

Oct 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
strong breezes & clear from N W Saw  
pinbacks & one ship steering East Middle  
& latter part strong from N heading  
S W Saw nothing to ends

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & hazy from N heading  
S W Saw nothing Middle & latter  
part thick & raining from N Saw  
pinbacks to ends

Oct 27 Tuesday

This day begins  
with strong breezes from N W  
heading S E thick & raining Saw  
pinbacks Middle & latter part light  
& thick fogs with drizzly rain Saw nothing  
to ends No obs

Oct 28<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & thick from N heading  
W Lying to raining Middle & latter part  
light & pleasant at daylight saw blackfish lowered  
struck & drew to ends

Oct 29<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
light breezes & clear from N heading S  
Saw pinbacks Middle & latter part  
light & pleasant from S W steering S E  
Saw pinbacks to ends



John Thompsonstead Master  
Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear from S W steering  
S E Saw finbacks tooth in sail  
Middle & Latter part Light breezes & Calms  
Saw nothing. No Ends Latt. 33.39 Long 71.7

Oct 31<sup>st</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes, & Calms from E Saw nothing  
Middle & Latter part Do Saw finbacks  
steering S E No Ends

November 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & clear from S steering I saw  
finbacks Middle & Latter part S. strong  
& cloudy Saw finbacks No Ends Latt. 35 11

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S steering I saw  
nothing at sundown tooth in sail  
Middle & Latter part thick & raining  
from S steering S E Saw nothing No Ends  
Latt 35 45

Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from W steering  
S E Saw nothing sundown tooth in sail  
Middle & Latter part Light & Pleasant from  
S heading S E Saw nothing No Ends  
Latt 35 39

Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear from S heading S E  
Saw finbacks middle & Latter part Light  
& Pleasant from S E steering South E  
Saw finbacks No Ends

Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day Light & Pleasant  
from S E steering I saw finbacks No Ends  
Middle & Latter part Do Latt 36.38 77



# Ship Vesper Cruising for Whales

November 6<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with light breezes & clear from S & steering S saw whales going quick Middle & latter part fresh from S steering I saw finbacks  
So Ends Lat 37.17  
Cook Sick off duty

Nov 7<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with fresh breezes & hazy from S steering I saw plenty of finbacks at 5 Left on wind took in sail Middle & latter part strong gale from S & heading W S W Laying too So Ends Lat 38.19  
Cook Sick

Nov 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong gales & thick Laying too from S & heading W S W at 5 P.M. wind hauled to W & were ship heading S & Middle & latter part light from S steering I saw plenty of finbacks So Ends  
Cook Sick 38.08

Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with light breezes & clear from W steering I saw finbacks Middle & latter part light breezes & hazy from W steering I at 8 AM saw the Land the Island of Amsterdam So Ends Lat 37.52  
Cook Sick Cook Sick

Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with Moderate breezes & clear from W steering I bore the Island of Amsterdam at 5 AM Landed 3 boats & went in shore for fish Laying off on an Middle & latter part fast strong from S W thick & raining heading off in bore the Island at 8 AM 3 boats went in shore for fish So Ends  
Cook Sick

Nov 11<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with strong breezes & thick from S W heading S & E Middle & latter part So saw nothing Employed taking fish So Ends  
Cook Sick



John Thompson Master  
November 12<sup>th</sup> Thursday

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This day begins with fresh breezes & hazy weather from W & W steering  
S on wind Employed all on setting up Shooks  
Middle & latter part moderate breezes & clear  
from W heading S Employed as usual So ends  
Latt 35.35  
Cook Sick

Nov 13<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with moderate breezes & clear Employed setting up  
Shooks at 11 A.M. Saw eight whales & lowered  
Struck turned him up took him along  
side Middle & latter part S at 1 P.M.  
commenced too but finished at 4 P.M.  
So ends clearing up logs Latt 35.11  
Cook Sick

WB  
60.666

Nov 14<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light breezes & clear from W steering  
S Employed bogging Middle & latter  
part moderate breezes & clear from  
S Employed bogging Saw whales too much  
So ends Cook Sick

Nov 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with light breezes & hazy from S W Employed  
bogging Saw whales & lowered no success  
hooked down at 2 P.M. Middle &  
latter part strong gales from S thick &  
raining ruying to So ends Latt 35.08  
Cook Sick

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong gales from W Laying to San Pedro  
Middle & latter part Light & Pleasant Saw  
nothing No ends Latt 35.08  
Cook Sick

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes & hazy from S steering S  
at 2 Saw eight whales & lowered no success  
Middle & latter part strong from W  
Laying to San Pedro So ends  
Latt 35.01 Cook Sick



Ship Vesper Cruising Forc Whales

November 18<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with moderate breezes & clear from S.E. heading Westward. Saw fin backs. Employed as usual in middle & latter part light from S.E. thick S.E. ends took sick Lat 35.11

Nov 19<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes from S.E. steering W. Employed cleaning bone middle & latter part strong gales laying too thick & raining. S. ends took sick Lat 35.20 Long 76.30

Nov 20 Friday

This day begins with moderate breezes from W heading W. Saw fin backs. Middle & latter part light & pleasant from W. at 9 A.M. saw right sperm whales. Lowered truck one took him in tow for ship to S. ends Lat 35.20 Long 76.30



Nov 21<sup>st</sup> Saturday took sick

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant at 3 P.M. took the whale along side middle & latter part employed cutting S. ends

Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday took sick

This day begins with light & pleasant weather from W. Employed cutting. Middle & latter part cutting finished at 10 A.M. started rigging S. ends took sick

Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes from W. Employed voyaging middle & latter part S. ends took sick

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear Employed voyaging middle & latter part S. ends took sick



John Hempstead Master  
November 25<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from W steering  
onward Employed hauling Middle  
& latter part Do Employed hauling  
Do Ends Luff 3h. 07  
Cook Sick.

Nov 26<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins  
with strong breezes from S.W. heading  
S.W. at 10 AM. Luff down  
Middle & latter part light breezes & Pleasant  
from S Employed tacking, all the day  
Cook Sick Luff 3h. 55

Nov 27<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins  
with Light breezes & Pleasant from  
S heading W Employed tacking  
all Middle & latter part Do Employed  
Do Ends Luff 3h. 18  
Cook Sick

Nov 28<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from W  
Employed staying down Middle  
& latter part Do Employed  
staying down Do Ends  
Cook Sick

Nov 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins  
with Light breezes. In Calms Employed  
staying down Middle & latter  
part Do Do Ends  
Cook Sick

Nov 30<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins  
with Light breezes & Pleasant Employed  
staying between decks Middle & latter  
part Do saw plenty of pinbacks Do Ends  
Cook Sick

Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
fresh breezes from S.W. steering S.W. Emp  
setting up Shocks saw pinbacks Middle  
& latter part light from S.W. remaining  
Do Ends Cook Sick



# Ship Vesper Cruising for Whales 1856 December 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
 Light breezes & calms with thick fogs & rain  
 Lying too Middle & latter part so thick  
 So Ends Cook Sick

## Dec 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

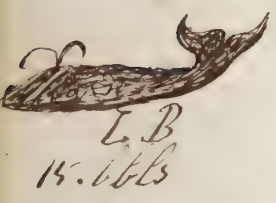
This day begins with  
 Light breezes & pleasant from S & E heading  
 Saw finbacks Middle & latter part  
 So Saw finbacks So Ends Lull 36 13  
 Cook Sick

## Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day Light breeze  
 & clear from S & E heading & by Saw  
 finbacks Middle & latter part fresh & thick  
 from S & E Saw plenty of finbacks & 2 right  
 whales Lowered so Ends Cook Sick

## Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
 Strong breezes & squally from S & E at  
 1 PM struck a whale turned one up took  
 him for ship crew from the other Middle  
 & latter part Strong breezes from so  
 So Ends



## Dec 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
 Strong breezes & clear Saw finbacks  
 Middle & latter part Strong gales Lying  
 too So Ends Lull 36 10

## Dec 8<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins  
 with Strong breezes from S & W Lying  
 too Middle & latter part Strong breeze  
 at 6 PM started tryworks So Ends  
 Lull 36 14

## Dec 9<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
 Strong breezes from S & E Lying too  
 employed by being at 6 PM hauled  
 down Middle & latter part so strong  
 from so under with reef topsails  
 So Ends



John Hempstead Master  
December 10<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with strong breezes from W & S by N. Laying the Middle & latter part of Saw plenty of pinbacks To Ends Luff 37.32

Dec 11<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes & squally from W at 3<sup>PM</sup> saw wright whale lowered struck tried him up took him along side at 5<sup>PM</sup> & at 8 finished cutting Middle & latter part strong gales from E Laying the remaining hard Middle & latter part strong from W started trywarp To Ends one boat stove in striking

Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from W cooled down saw pinbacks Middle & latter part so saw wright whales lowered no success To Ends Spoke ship John Coghan New Bedford

Dec 13<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from W saw plenty of pinbacks & one wright whale Spoke the Bark Isabella of New Bedford Lyon Master Middle & latter part so saw pinbacks To Ends

Dec 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from W saw plenty of pinbacks Middle & latter part at 10 AM saw whales lowered L.B. Robb's ship 2 tried one up took him too ship To Ends

Dec 15<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from W employed cutting finished at 8<sup>PM</sup> Middle & latter part calm employed hauling saw pinbacks To Ends



Ship Verper Cruising for Whales 1856  
Dec 16<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins light breezes & Pleasant from S & SE Saw porpoises Middle & latter part looked down S. Ends took lined too work

Dec 17<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant Employed staying down finished at 5:00 M Specified & latter part Light & Pleasant Saw porpoises & one ship to ends

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
This day begins with light breezes & clear Saw plenty of porpoises Middle & latter part Light & calm Saw nothing Employed on Tending down top gallant Mast. & C for Scablation S. Ends took sick

Dec 19<sup>th</sup> Friday  
This day begins with light breezes & calm from NW heading & Employed staying away top gallant rigging Middle & latter part Light & calm Saw plenty of porpoises S. Ends

Dec 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
This day begins with light breezes & blow day Employed mending boat & C Saw porpoises Middle & latter part Light & calm S. Ends mending boat

Dec 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
This day begins with light breezes & calm Saw nothing Middle & latter part Light breezes from SE Saw whales L. & R. reel No success S. Ends

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> Monday  
This day Light breezes & Pleasant Employed chasing whales Struck one drew Middle & latter part Hark rearing, blowing strong S. Ends

L Y B



John H. Henshaw, Master 1856  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
strong breezes, thick & raining. Saw  
nothing Middle & latter part Light &  
pleasant from NW Saw five packs of seals  
Latt 38.54.

Dec 24<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins  
with light breezes & calm. Saw five packs  
lowered for once perched a bundle in the  
one net. Not catch him Middle & latter  
part Pleasant. Saw nothing. Seals

Dec 25<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
light breezes & Pleasant from W. Saw  
five packs Middle & latter part  
Strong gales from NW Lying  
to thick & rainy. Seals

Dec 26<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins  
with strong winds & blow day from  
NW Lying to Middle & latter  
part to strong from W Lying to  
Seals Latt 39.58

Dec 27<sup>th</sup> Saturday back sick

This day begins with  
strong gales from NW Lying to under  
clothes reef main topsail Middle &  
latter part with squalls of hail  
Seals. Latt  
back sick

Dec 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins  
with strong gales from NW Lying to  
under first sail Middle & latter  
part Moderate breezes & clear. Saw  
one ship Seals

Dec 29<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
light breezes & calm. Saw one  
W. bearing N. S. W. Saw nothing  
Middle & latter part Seals



Ship Nesper Cruising for Whales  
Dec 30<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
with strong gales & thick raining. Middle &  
Latter part so thick blowing fresh so ends

Dec 31 Wednesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear from S heading to  
Saw pinbacks middle Light & Pleasant from  
So Saw Nothing So Ends

January 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & cloudy from S & E steering  
S W Saw blackfish Landed took 3 the ship  
middle & latter part strong gales from  
S & raining too Saw Nothing So Ends

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Strong gales from S with rain raining too  
S. E. sent down my gun to gallant thrust  
& yard Middle & latter part Moderate  
from S Saw Nothing So Ends

Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & cloudy from S Saw Nothing  
Middle & latter part fresh from S & E steering  
S W by O Saw Nothing So Ends  
Cook Sick

Jan 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from S & E steering S W by S  
saw nothing Middle & latter part Light breezes  
& cloudy Saw Nothing So Ends

Jan 5<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
moderate breezes & cloudy from S W  
saw nothing heading on wind S S E  
middle & latter part So Saw Nothing  
So Ends These 24 hours

Cook joined too duty



John. Hempstead Master  
January 6<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with moderate breezes from S.W. heading on and on Southern back saw one ship middle & latter part Light breezes & clear saw pinbacks steering S.W. S to Ends Lat 47 31

Jan 7<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with moderate breezes & blow day from S.E. Laying too thick fog & rain S.W. middle & latter part Light & Pleasant from S to Ends

Jan 8<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear from S.W. saw 2 ships middle & latter part fresh breezes from S. saw wright whales lowered no success to Ends Lat 47 59

Jan 9<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with strong breezes & clear saw whales lowered truck one run 10 miles too windard but middle & latter part strong breezes from S to Ends

Jan 10<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong breezes from S. saw ship spoke her the Pioneer of New Bedford middle & latter part strong breezes from S. saw whales lowered truck run too windard but at 11:30 to Ends Lat 47 30 Long 69 36

Jan 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong breezes & thick rain & at sundown wind hulled too & cleared up middle & latter part moderate breezes from S. lowered truck triced wire up took in the ship to Ends 17

WB  
85 bbls



# Ship Vesper on Desolation

Monday Jan 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes & Pleasant from N Employed byling Saw nothing Middle & Latter part S & byling To Ends

Jan 13<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with Light breezes & Pleasant from N Employed byling Saw humpbacks Middle & Latter part Strong breezes & seeing from N & worked down Employed staying down To Ends

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with strong gales from N & Employed staying down Middle & Latter part Strong from S & staying down finished at S & Ends

Jan 15<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes from N Laying too Middle & Latter part More moderate heading & Saw 2 ships To Ends

Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day strong gales from N heading & Saw 2 ships & one right whale Middle & Latter part Strong gales from N & laying too To Ends Lat 37 1/2 Long 115

Jan 17<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong breezes & blow day from N under close reef topsails Middle & Latter part S & Saw hump backs & 5 ships To Ends Lat 37.5 Long 113


Jan 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with strong gales from N Laying too saw hump backs spoke ship Annarice & whales this season Middle & Latter part S & saw nothing thick fogs



John Hempstead Master  
January 19<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & thick fog from S & S by rising the middle & latter part. More moderate at 6 A.M. Saw eight whales. Lowered missed & called 3. Saw 600 whale took him two ship 2 ships in sight & lots of whales. To Ends Lat 47° 30' Long 70° 10'

  
VESPER  
" 80.11.11  
Jan

20<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with strong breezes & thick fog with S by rising from S & W. Employed by cutting finished at 7 P.M. Middle & latter part strong gales from S & S by rising to ends

Jan 21<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with strong breezes from NW at 3 P.M. commenced by moderate started trying middle & latter part light & pleasant from NW Employed by cutting. & c. To Ends

Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

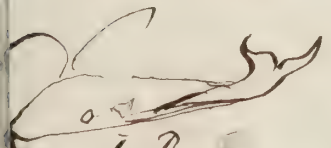
This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from NW Employed by trying down, finished at 6 P.M. Saw one ship checked fore hatch middle & latter part light & calm Employed by cutting. Saw one ship To Ends Lat 47° 28'

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Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> Friday

This day begins with light breezes from S & S steering N & W. Saw one ship killed a pig middle & latter part light & pleasant & from S & S lowered fore whales struck tried him up took him two ship To Ends finished cutting at 9 A.M.

to this

  
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Jan 24<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with strong breezes saw plenty of whales lowered struck one To Ends middle & latter part by cutting to ends



Ship Vesper off Isolation for Whales  
Jan 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday This day begins with  
strong gales from W & W Employed  
bagging Middle & latter part of  
booked down at 6 AM to Ends

Jan 26<sup>th</sup> Monday This day begins with  
moderate breezes & clear from W.  
8 Ships in sight Middle & latter part light  
from W Employed staying down to Ends

Jan 27<sup>th</sup> Tuesday This day begins with  
strong gales from W & W Laying too spoke  
Ship Europa A.B. Middle & latter  
part too thick & raining to Ends till 11.42

Jan 28<sup>th</sup> Wednesday This day begins with  
strong gales from W & W Laying too thick  
& raining Middle & latter part & raining  
too to Ends

Jan 29<sup>th</sup> Thursday This day begins with  
strong gales from W Laying too  
Middle & latter part too Laying too

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> Friday This day begins  
with strong gales from W Laying  
to Middle & latter part too Laying  
to to Ends till 11.41

Jan 31 Saturday This day begins  
with strong gales from W & W  
Laying too Middle & latter part  
moderate breezes from W Small sail  
Haw plenty of humpbacks to Ends

February 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday This day strong gales  
from N & E strong W Middle & latter  
part too from rain Laying too  
to Ends



John Kempstead Master 12.57  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

This day begins with strong breezes & thick fog from S & S.W. nothing Middle & latter part so thick fog & ships in sight too far to see

Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday This day begins with moderate breezes & thick fog whales & several Mr. Rogers Middle & latter part of but clear saw whales & several missed one struck another turned him up took him for ship  
LB 28.644

Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday This day begins with moderate breezes & clear from S.W. few plenty of whales & several struck one & drew Middle & latter part strong gales from N.W. laying too far to see  
Latt 11.31 Long 70.06

Feb 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday This day begins with strong gales from N.W. laying too far to see Middle & latter part more moderate started byworks & ends foggy

Feb 6<sup>th</sup> Friday This day begins with strong breezes from S.W. laying too thick Middle & latter part so finished laying to ends

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> Saturday This day begins with strong gales laying too thick & raining Middle & latter part so laying too far to see

Feb 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday This day begins with strong gales from N.W. laying too Middle & latter part so laying too far to see  
Latt 11.46 Long 70.56



Ship Vesper on Ice 18.57  
Feb 9<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day strong  
gales from W & N blowing to middle  
& latter part more moderate made double  
reef topsails & ends at 11.31

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with  
moderate breezes from S & N. Saw  
nothing Middle & latter part  
thick and ship in sight commenced  
to blow down finished at 11 A.M.  
To ends thick fog

Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins  
with light breezes from S at 9 A.M.  
Saw whale several. Truck turned  
up. Took him too ship in thick  
fog Middle & latter part got him  
in To ends. Left 11 1/2 3 Ship in sight

Feb 12<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins  
with light breezes & pleasant from S & E  
seeing west employed by long 3 ships  
in sight two for backs Middle & latter  
part so staying down To ends

Feb 13<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
strong breezes from S & N Saw dead whale  
took him along side & cut him in  
Middle & latter part employed  
by long To ends

Feb 14<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins  
with light breezes & heavy employed  
by long Middle & latter part employed  
staying down To ends

Feb 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
light breezes & foggy Middle & latter part  
Saw whales several. Truck turned  
up took him too ship



Schn Hempstead Master

Mon Feb 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Light breezes & foggy from E. & E. by S.  
Nothing finished at 4 P.M. Employed  
clearing of decks running hard. Middle  
& latter part moderate from W. Started  
try works & ships in sight to E. ends

Tues Feb 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
Light breezes & clear from W. at 4 P.M.  
Low red pore whale struck turned him up  
took him too ship but him ~~in~~ employed  
laying middle & latter part strong from  
S. W. Employed staying down to E. ends

Feb 18<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & thick from E. Employed  
laying middle & latter part do. Thick  
& rainy from do. to E. ends

Feb 19<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes from E. & W. thick & employed  
laying middle & latter part do. at  
4 P.M. backed down to E. ends

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins  
with strong breezes from E. & W.  
Employed shifting water middle  
& latter part more moderate from W.  
Employed staying down finished the after  
hatch to E. ends No obs.

Feb 21<sup>st</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Strong breezes & clear from W. & S. W. one  
ship in sight Employed staying down  
middle & latter part strong gales from W.  
Laying to E. ends



Ship Vesper Bound Towards New Holland  
Feb 22 Sunday

This day begins with  
strong breezes from S & E Laying to  
middle & latter part S & E ends  
Latt 18. 18

Feb 23 Monday  
This day begins with  
strong gales from S & E Laying to middle  
& latter part S & E strong winds with thick  
fog & rain at 10 it is kept off & under  
double reef topsails S & E ends

Feb 24<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
This day begins with  
strong gales from S & E Laying to middle  
& latter part S & E strong winds with thick  
fog & rain at 10 it is kept off & under  
double reef topsails S & E ends  
Latt 16. 16

Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
This day begins with  
fresh breezes from S & E Laying to middle  
& latter part S & E strong winds with thick  
fog & rain at 10 it is kept off & under  
double reef topsails S & E ends  
Latt 15. 26

Feb 26<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & calms from S & E Laying to middle  
& latter part moderate breezes from S & E Laying  
to S & E all sail set S & E ends No obs

Feb 27<sup>th</sup> Friday  
This day begins with  
strong breezes & thick fog from S & E  
Laying to S & E middle & latter part light  
breezes & thick fog from S & E Laying  
to S & E all sail set S & E ends No obs

Feb 28<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
This day begins with  
light breezes & thick fog from S & E  
Laying to S & E middle & latter part light  
breezes & thick fog from S & E Laying  
to S & E all sail set S & E ends No obs



John Hempstead Master 1857  
March 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Light breezes from S.E. Steering E.S.E. all sail  
set & thick fog. Middle & latter part of the day  
from the Steering E by S to E ends Luff 14.37. 11.00

March 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

This day begins with  
strong breezes from E.S.E. Steering E by S  
middle & latter part of the day all sail set  
to E ends Luff 13.15

March 3 Tuesday

This day begins with  
Light breezes from S.E. Steering E by S  
and wind all sail set Middle & latter part  
of the day Steering to E ends Luff 12.18

March 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins  
with fresh breezes from S.E. Steering  
E.S.E. all sail set Middle & latter part  
Light breezes & Pleasant from S.E. ends  
Luff 12.11.

March 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with  
Light breezes from W. Steering E by S all  
sail set Middle & latter part fresh from  
W. Steering E by S to E ends Luff 4.11

March 6<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with  
Fresh breezes & Pleasant from S.E. Steering  
E by S Middle & latter part light breezes  
& Pleasant from S.E. Steering S to E ends

March 7<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & cloudy from W. Steering  
E by S. Employed cleaning home with  
latter part fresh breezes & clear from  
S.E. Steering to E ends Luff 10.35

March 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday

This day begins with  
Light breezes & Pleasant from W. Steering E.S.E.  
middle & latter part S.E. ends Luff 50.39



Ship Vesper Bound towards New Holland  
March 9<sup>th</sup> Monday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S W steering E S E all sail set middle & latter part light breezes & cloudy from do steering do do ends Pros. obs.  
Employed setting up shrouds

March 10<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

This day begins with light breezes from S S W steering E S E under all sail Employed setting up shrouds middle & latter part do strong look in main top gallant sail Employed setting up shrouds do ends  
Lat 35 50  
Long 109 49

March 11<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

This day begins with fresh breezes from S S steering E S E in wind at 8 AM doubled reefed the topsails middle & latter part do heading main do ends Lat 34 19

March 12<sup>th</sup> Thursday

This day begins with strong breezes from S S heading E S E on wind under double reef topsails middle & latter part do do ends Lat 33 27

March 13<sup>th</sup> Friday

This day begins with light breezes & calm from do shook out the reefs out of the topsails heading E by N middle & latter part light from S heading E S E at 4 AM saw sperm whales gain quick do ends steering E S E Lat 33 03

March 14<sup>th</sup> Saturday

This day begins with light breezes & pleasant from S steering E S E all sail set at 9 AM saw the land 20 miles at 5 PM came to anchor in Pagan Bay and the capt. went on shore and as soon as the capt. had got aboard of the ship the mate took the labour boat and went on shore without saying adieu to any one & end this day



John Hempstead Master

1857

Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds and calm at 10 AM the boat came on board so ends this day

Monday March 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from the S W employed in stowing casks and shovels for weather so ends

Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong winds from the S E. 2 PM the Captain sent out board for 3 sick men that were on board by the names of Jackson, Ross and Brown employed in filling water so ends this day

Wednesday March 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from the N W middle and latter part the same employed in stowing of weather so ends

Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from the S E employed in stowing down weather & latter part the same so ends

Friday March 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from the S E middle and latter part the same employed in stowing of wood so ends

Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light S E winds employed in floating of wood middle and latter part the same so ends

Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with light winds one watch on liberty so ends

Monday March 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light breezes and calm one watch on liberty employed in cleaning ship so ends this day



Ship Vesper Laying At geographers bay

Monday March 24

this day begins with  
light winds from the N W at 7 at 11 the Cooper  
was taken sick middle and latter part the same

Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light airs one watch on shore employed in <sup>so ends</sup>  
filling water middle and latter part the same

Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong breezes from the S W at 9 at 11 the  
Doctor came on board to see the Cooper so ends

Thursday March 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S E at 2 at 8 the  
Cooper went on shore middle and latter  
part the same one watch on liberty so ends

Friday March 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light airs from the S E employed in ships  
duty one watch on liberty so ends this day

Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the N W middle and latter  
part the same one watch on liberty so ends

Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S W employed in  
taking on board potatoes so ends this day

Monday March 31<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S E middle and latter  
part calm employed in getting of water so ends

Tuesday April 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with  
strong winds from the S W one watch on liberty  
employed in ship's duty so ends this day

Wednesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds and pleasant employed in painting  
the house so ends this day



John Hempstead Master 1857

Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with light winds from the S.W. at 10 A.M. the men that was on shore sick came on board and the Captain left one that was not fit for sea by the name of Jackson so ends

Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds from the S.W. one watch and liberty middle and latter part the same winds

Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant one watch and liberty so ends this day

Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs and calm at 4 P.M. the Captain came on board but did not get under weigh for there was no wind so ends

Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs and pleasant all night for sea middle and latter part calm so ends

Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds from the E. & S. at 6 A.M. got under weigh and proceeded to sea middle and latter part the E. & S. the land bore E. & S. 50 miles. At sundown took in sail so ends this day

Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh gales from the E. & S. under port sail the men were sick employed in stowing away the cables middle and latter part the same but by 6 P.M. 3 P.M. S

Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh gales from the E. & S. at 10 A.M. the Captain found there was 2 men on board that did not belong to the ship he called them aft and put them in irons so ends this day



Whip Desper on a sperm cruise  
Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
fresh gales from the E & S. Standing on the wind  
to the N & N. E. at 6 P. M. took the 2 men  
that was in irons and sent them to duty  
middle and latter part the same so ends  
Lat. by Obs.  $34^{\circ}09'$  Long. by Chron.  $111^{\circ}33'$  E

Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong winds from the N & E course at 11 middle  
and latter part the same at sundown took in sail  
Lat. by Obs.  $34^{\circ}03'$  N Long. by Chron.  $111^{\circ}13'$  E

Monday April 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light airs from S & E course at 11 by 12 latter  
part calm employed in fitting boats so ends.  
Lat. by Obs.  $33^{\circ}02'$  S Long. by Chron.  $111^{\circ}10'$

Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from W & S course at 11 employed in  
ships duty latter part the same so ends nothing, but  
Lat. by Obs.  $32^{\circ}19'$  S Long. by Chron.  $111^{\circ}03'$  E

Wednesday April 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light breezes from E & S E course at 11 middle  
and latter part the same employed in fitting  
boats so ends this day  
Lat. by Obs.  $31^{\circ}54'$  S Long. by Chron.  $111^{\circ}32'$  E

Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the E & S E course at 11 middle  
and latter part the same employed in fitting boats  
Lat. by Obs.  $29^{\circ}40'$  S Long. by Chron.  $110^{\circ}03'$  E

Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light wind from the S & E course at 11 latter  
part the same scattering in sight so ends this day  
Lat. by Obs.  $28^{\circ}22'$  S Long. by Chron.  $109^{\circ}10'$  E



John Hempstead & Master 1857  
Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup>

Meeting hold this day Begins with  
with light breezes from the S & E middle and  
latter part calm employed in mending the gear  
Lat by Obs 27=31 S Long by Chron 108=02 E

Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup>

This day Begins with  
strong breezes from the S & E at 9 A.M. the  
chained to the S & W and blew very hard  
latter part the same under short sail so ends.

Monday April 20<sup>th</sup>

This day Begins with  
strong gales from S & E laying to under closed  
reefed main topsail latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Obs 26=38 S Long 108=33 by Chron E

Tuesday April 21<sup>th</sup>

Meeting hold. This day Begins with  
fresh breezes from the S & E comes E & W middle  
and latter part the same employed in mending  
Lat by Obs 26=03 S Long by AC 108=43 E

Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day Begins with  
strong breezes from the S & W at 9 A.M. spoke  
the ship many a sea beyond 5 months  
at sea clear latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Obs 25=34 S Long by Chron 109=38 E

Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day Begins with  
fresh gales from the S & E one ship in  
sight latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Obs 25=58 S Long by Chron 109=00 E

Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>

This day Begins with  
strong winds from the S & E standing on the wind  
middle and latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Obs 25=51 S Long by Chron 107=02 E

Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup>

Meeting hold. This day Begins with  
strong winds from the S & W standing on the wind  
in sight spoke the Congress at 8 P.M.  
Lat by Obs 26=32 S Long by AC 107=41 E 101



Ship Risper on a sperm whale cruise  
Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from the S E & ships in sight  
latter part the same so ends this day  
Lat by Obs  $24^{\circ} 32'$  S Long by Chron  $107^{\circ} 22' E$

Monday April 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the W middle and latter part the  
same & ships in sight so ends this day  
Lat by Obs  $24^{\circ} 43'$  S Long by Chron  $107^{\circ} 30' E$

Tuesday April 28<sup>th</sup>

quieting hold this day begins with  
fresh gales from the S E under short sail  
middle and latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Obs  $25^{\circ} 25'$  S Long by Chron  $107^{\circ} 15' E$

Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the S E at  $10^h$  at 11 the  
main topmast backstay hauled latter part  
the same employed in putting another set  
of backstay & setting in sight so ends  
Lat by Obs  $25^{\circ} 00'$  S Long by Chron  $107^{\circ} 00' E$

Thursday April 30<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong breezes from the S E middle and  
latter part the same 2 ships in sight so ends  
Lat by Obs  $25^{\circ} 00'$  S Long by Chron  $107^{\circ} 00' E$

Friday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1857

This day begins with  
light breezes from the N W standing on the  
wind to the S E and latter part the same  
employed in putting the main rig at 5 & 8 PM  
lowered a boat and took a sunfish so ends  
Lat by Obs  $24^{\circ} 20'$  S Long by Chron  $107^{\circ} 22' E$

Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup>

quieting hold this day begins with  
light breezes from the S E standing on the  
wind to the S E 3 ships in sight latter  
part the same painting boats so ends  
Lat by Obs  $23^{\circ} 50'$  S Long by Chron  $107^{\circ} 41' E$



John Hempstead Master 1817  
Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes from the S E standing and  
the wind to the Eastward saw 3 ships  
At 3 P.M. saw a ship in Black fish  
Sound and chased without success so ends  
Lat by Obs 29-55 S Long by Chn 109-20 E

Monday May 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes from the S W standing and the  
wind to the Southward 3 ships in sight  
middle and latter part the same employed  
patrolling down the main ridge so ends this day  
Lat 29 51 by Obs Long 108-50 by Chron E

Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>

Nothing notable this day begins with  
light winds from the S W standing and the  
wind to the Eastward saw several in Black  
middle and latter part the same at  
5 P.M. spoke the Barre or Oscar or  
saw Redford employed in digging so ends  
Lat by Obs 29-14 S Long by Chron 108-40 E

Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S E course S W  
middle and latter part the same 1 ship  
in sight employed in the digging so ends  
Lat by Obs 29-36 S Long by Chron 108-32 E

Thursday May 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
with light winds from the S E course S W  
employed on the digging 1 ship in sight middle  
and latter part the same at 6 P.M. saw 2  
Whales and ran for them at 7 sand down took in  
Lat by Obs 29-17 S Long by Chron 107-48 E

Friday May 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S E course S W  
middle and latter part calm employed  
on the digging so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 29-36 S Long by Chron 107-20 E



# Ship's Log on a sperm Whale Cruise

Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from the <sup>setting hold</sup> S & standing on the wind to the N. spoke the Barque from Fair Haven middle and latter part. Lat by Obs 22 53 S Long by Chron. 106 53 E

Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breezes from the S & middle and latter part squally with rain at 2 P. M. the wind hauled to the N. so ends this day. Lat by Obs 22 56 S Long by Chron. 106 40 E

Monday May 11<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds from the S & middle and latter part the same standing on the wind to the N. employed in the rigging so ends. Lat by Obs 23 18 S Long by Chron. 107 21 E

Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds from the S & count N middle and latter part calm employed in the rigging so ends. Lat by Obs 23 10 S Long by Chron. 107 00 E

Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds from the S & standing on the wind to the Eastward middle and latter part the same employed in fitting the cutting gear so ends 2 ships in sight Lat by Obs 23 21 S

Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh gales from the S & with heavy squalls and rain the middle and latter part the same laying to under short sail so ends. Lat by Obs 23 41 S Long by Chron. 107 20 E

Friday May 15<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs from the S & standing on the N. saw the ship Monar far to 2. Spurned 2 whales toward and missed without success so ends. Lat by Obs 24 00 S



John Hampstead Master 1857  
Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup>

meeting hold this day begins with  
light airs from the S W middle and  
latter part the same employed and the  
vigin 1 ship in sight so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 24-23 S Long by Chron 107-57 E

Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
fresh breezes from the S E middle and latter  
part the same standing and the wind to the  
westward 3 ships sighted and sailing so ends  
Lat by Obs 24-26 S Long by Chron 107-26 E

Monday May 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
fresh gales from the S E Count 25 W  
under double reefed topsails middle and latter  
part cloudy at sundown took in sail so ends  
Lat by Obs 24-21 S Long by Chron 107-27 E

Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
fresh gales from the S E at 11 A M  
Saw the Ship Minerva Smyth of New-  
Bedford with ~~1000~~ standing middle and  
latter part the same so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 24-15 S Long by C & C 107-00

Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
fresh breezes from the S E middle and  
latter part the same at 3 P M spoke  
the Ship Minerva Smyth and the  
Captiv went on board so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 23-55 S Long by C & C 107-10 E

Thursday May 21<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong winds from the S E standing on  
the wind to eastward latter part the  
same saw several pinbacks 3 ships in sight  
Lat by Obs 23-24 S Long by Chron 106-46 E



Ship vesper on a sperm whale cruise  
Friday, May 22<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from S E standing on the  
wind to the Southward middle and latter  
part the same 2 ships in sight 20 miles  
Lat by Chron 22 36 S Long by Chron 106 11 E

Saturday, May 23<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong breezes from the S E standing on the  
wind to the Southward middle and latter  
part the same 2 ships in sight 20 miles  
Lat by Chron 23 10 S Long by Chron 106 18 E

Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh breezes from Eastward standing on the  
wind to the Southward 2 ships in sight  
middle and latter part the same 20 miles  
Lat by Chron 24 20 S Long by Chron 106 32 E

Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S E standing to the  
the Southward middle and latter part  
the same employed in picking the mackerel  
digger 1 ship in sight 20 miles This day  
Lat by Chron 24 59 S Long by Chron 106 40 E

Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes from the Southward standing on  
the wind to the Eastward middle and latter  
part the same at 3 P M spoke the  
Ship Andra of New Bedford 23 months  
out with 1000 at sundown took in sail  
latter part the same 20 miles This day  
Lat by Chron 24 26 S Long by Chron 107 10 E

Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S W and E at  
P M spoke the Barque Pennell of New  
Bedford 24 months out 1150 at 2 P M  
saw a tinback latter part the same  
at sundown took in sail 20 miles  
Lat by Chron 24 15 S Long by Chron 107 50 E



John V. Hempstead Master 1857  
Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S. standing on  
the wind to the e. & thenward middle and  
latter part the same employed on the  
rigging & ships in sight so ends this day  
Lat by Chron 24-09 S Long by Chron 106-46

Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S. & E. course  
& middle and latter part the same  
saw 1 Kinkab. employed on rigging & at  
sun-down took in sail so ends this day  
Lat by Chron 23-13 S Long by Chron 107-06

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S. & E. standing on  
the wind to the e. & thenward middle and  
latter part the same at 6 P.M.  
saw the Ship Corvencous of Mystic and  
the Barque & top of a few Bedford 7 months  
out at sun-down took in sail so ends  
Lat by Chron 22-49 S Long by Chron 107-37.6

Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with  
fresh breezes from the S. & E. middle part the  
same at 1 P.M. spoke the Barque Belle of  
Haven and the Barque Corvencous of Mystic  
at 2 P.M. a man by the name of George  
fell from the fore top and hurt himself  
very bad. latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Chron 22-33 S Long by Chron 107-40.6

Monday June 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S. standing on the  
one man wind to the Eastward middle and  
latter part the same employed in Tying, Bane  
& ships in sight so ends this day  
Lat by Chron 22-27 S Long by Chron 109-00



Ship Lisper and a sperm whale Cruise  
Tuesday June 2<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds from the S W with heavy squalls  
one man and rain middle and latter part pleasant  
Sick employed on Bone 2 Ships in sight so ends  
Lat by Lbs 22-27 S Long by Chron 109-00 E

Wednesday June 3<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S W standing on the  
one man wind to the Eastward middle and latter part  
Sick the same employed in bunches Bone 3 Ships  
in sight so ends this day  
Lat by Lbs 22-49 S Long by Chron 109-20 E

Thursday June 4<sup>th</sup>

Broke out water This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant middle and latter  
part Calm employed on Bone 4 Ships in  
one man's sight S W spoke the Barren Amazon  
Sick of Fair Haven 8 months out with 50 lbs  
the S W

Friday June 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant employed on  
one man's Bone stored down 96 bunches of Bone  
Sick middle and latter part the same at  
sundown saw a large breack and called  
it a sperm whale so ends this day  
the Lat 22-15 S Long 108-41 E

Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>

Nothing shold this day begins with  
light winds from S W in different tracks 2  
Ships in sight middle and latter part 11  
Sick same saw 1 Humpback so ends this day  
Lat by Lbs 21-53 S Long by Chron 109-00 E

Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from the S W standing on the  
one man wind to the Eastward middle and latter part  
Sick the same saw a Carib and 1 Ship  
at sundown took in sail so ends  
Lat by Lbs 22-03 S Long by Chron 107-40 E



John P. Hampstead Master 1857

Monday June 5<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds from the S. this day begins with  
all standing on the wind to the Eastward  
middle and latter part the same employed  
in making out between decks for main sail  
and top gallant sail saw 1 Skinbacks so ends  
Lat by Obs 22-13 Long by Chron 108-46 E

Tuesday June 6<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from the N. this day begins with  
all standing on the wind to the Eastward  
middle and latter part the same  
employed on the main sail 10 ships  
in sight saw several Skinbacks so ends  
Lat by Obs 22-54 S Long by Chron 108-00

Wednesday June 7<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from the S. this day begins with  
all standing on the wind to the Eastward  
middle and latter part same weather  
4 ships in sight on the Mizzen top gallant  
Lat by Obs 23-26 S Long by Chron 108-00

Thursday June 8<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds from the Eastward this day begins with  
all standing on the wind to the Eastward  
middle and latter part the same 3 ships in sight employed in  
sending down the main topgallant yard and  
fitting jaws so ends this day S E  
Lat by Obs 23-44 Long by Chron 107-47 E

Friday June 9<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds from the S. this day begins with  
all standing on the wind to the Eastward  
middle and latter part the same employed in  
making the fly at nothing in sight so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 22-56 Long by Chron 109-07

Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from the S. this day begins with  
all standing on the wind to the Eastward  
middle and latter part the same  
saw several Skinbacks so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 22-31 S Long by Chron 108-55



Whip, vesper on a Sperm Whale Cruise  
Monday June 14<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S W course & middle  
and latter part the same ship in sight  
Sick employed in breaking out provisions and cooping  
up it. Saw 2 finbacks so ends this day  
Lat by Cts 23-19 Long by Chron 108-35 E

Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S W course & middle  
and latter part the same ship in sight  
Sick employed in breaking out provisions and cooping  
up it. Saw 2 finbacks so ends this day  
Lat by Cts 23-30 S Long by Cts 109-45 E

Tuesday June 16<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from the S W course & middle  
and latter part the same ship in sight  
Sick employed in stowing down  
provisions Bulk 84 bbls. Pork 55 bbls  
latter part calm so ends this day  
Lat by Cts 23-25 Long by Chron 110-15 E

Wednesday June 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes and pleasant steaming  
Sick employed on the rigging middle and latter  
part the same ship in sight. Saw  
a sperm whale lowered but did not  
see him again so ends this day  
Lat by Cts 23-47 Long by Chron 110-42

Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from the Northward standing  
by the S W course & middle and latter  
part the same ship in sight. Saw several porpoises  
and 1 humpback so ends this day  
Lat by Cts 24-10 S Long by Chron 111-30

Friday June 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong wind from the S W course & middle  
and latter part the same ship in sight. Saw black fish  
lowered but did not strike so ends this day  
Lat by Cts 24-10 S Long by Chron 111-30



John S Hempstead Master 1857

Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds from the S W course  
One man E 8<sup>th</sup> E middle and latter part the same  
Sick saw several finbacks so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 23-28 Long by Chron 112 34

Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with fresh breezes from the S W course  
One man E 8<sup>th</sup> at 7<sup>th</sup> at 11<sup>th</sup> saw the main Land  
Sick Is 20 miles middle and latter part the same  
at sundown took in sail and stood off shore so ends  
Lat by Obs 22-40 S Long by Chron 112-00

Monday June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Broke out water this day begins with light winds and pleasant standing to the  
One man Eastward Land in sight to the Eastward  
Sick Is 25 miles middle and latter part the same  
employed in fitting the Heavsen pipe  
Saw 1 ship and several finbacks so ends  
Lat 22-00 Long 113-12

Tuesday June 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant standing to the  
One man Eastward saw several finbacks middle  
Sick and latter part the same at sundown  
offed ship and stood to the S W so ends  
Lat by Obs 21-20 Long by Chron 114-54 E

Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs from the Eastward and pleasant  
One man standing to the wind to the E 8<sup>th</sup> W middle  
Sick and latter part the same saw several  
finback with all sail set so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 20-56 S Long by Chron 113-31 E

Thursday June 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs and pleasant at 10<sup>th</sup> at 11<sup>th</sup> got up  
One man the chains and bent them latter part  
Sick calm sounded S got no bottom so ends  
Lat by Obs 21-06 S Long by Chron 114-18



Ship. Vesper Bound to the Rose Mary, Scotland  
Friday June 26<sup>th</sup> This day begins with

Friday June 26 This day begins with  
light winds from the S.W. - course S. E. middle  
ground rather flat the same 44' sandstone traced  
up and stood at Shore 44' S. W. scoured  
and got to bottom 44' 75' feet for end this day  
Lat. 41° 12' 20" Long. 68° 114' 38' E

Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup>

Saturday June 28  
 Light airs and pleasant - middle and latter  
 part Calm southerly and got bottom off  
 sick go path so ends this day  
 Lat by Obs 20 36 Long by Chron 114 51

Monday June 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
 light airs and pleasant at 9 AM saw  
 the land steering E by S 25 miles. Sounded  
 gun, man and got bottom 23 fath at 11 AM saw  
 sick Rich's Reef Barrow's Island Dis 4 miles. Stood  
 off and went around the c & E point  
 rather part the same records this day  
 Lat by Chron 20-23 Long by Chron 111 51

Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds from the Westward & standing E. S. & E.  
At 9 A.M. started and sailed to the Southward  
and at 1 P.M. saw the Rose Mary Islands E. S.  
2.5 miles bearing N. at 8 P.M. School of  
Sharks. Sailed and got 2.5 miles Southward  
Lat. by Obs 19-58 Long. by Chron 116-05 E

Tuesday June 30<sup>th</sup>.

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John P. Hempstead Master 1857  
Thursday July 2<sup>th</sup>

Wind. light  
Sick? This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant off anchor off  
6 A.M. lowered the boats and went out  
side the reef. Saw 3 humpbacks but  
did not strike off sundown came on board  
rather part the same so ends this day

Friday July 3<sup>th</sup>

Wind. light  
Sick? This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant off 1 P.M. lowered  
after humpbacks but did not strike  
rather part calm the many of  
a few Redford lying off anchor close to  
off sundown came on board so ends

Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup>

Wet. This day begins with  
fresh gales and pleasant off 8 A.M.  
lowered and chased without success  
rather part moderate off 3 P.M. the  
captain went on shore to see if he could  
find any fresh water but did not succeed

Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>

begins with  
fresh gales and pleasant off 8 A.M.  
lowered for whales but did not  
strike middle and rather part more  
moderate saw several whales working  
to the eastward but could not strike

Monday July 6<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant off 7 A.M.  
lowered the boats and chased and  
struck the captain got stove and lost  
the whale rather part the same so ends  
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Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup>

Wet. This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant lowered the boats  
off 7 A.M. struck 2 whales turned  
them up and took them to the ship after  
14 hours haul towing and commenced  
cutting off 4 P.M. got other so ends  
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Whip, begun off the Ross, Mary, Islands Whaling  
Wednesday July 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant commenced bailing  
saw several whales going quick middle  
and latter part the same so ends this day

Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup> Broke out station this day, begins with  
light and pleasant at 9 AM  
steamed for a humpback, but did not  
strike the ship, Mary got a whale  
employed in bailing so ends this day

Friday July 10<sup>th</sup> This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant saw several hump  
going quick toward but did not strike  
middle and latter part the same  
employed in mending a boat so ends

Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup> Nothing bold this day begins with  
light winds and pleasant steamed and chased  
without success middle and latter part  
the same so ends this day

Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup> This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant middle part moderate  
saw whales toward and struck the Laboured  
boat in fastening had a Portegues by the  
John got his leg in the line and had his foot  
take off the show boat took in the  
line of it boat that was captured  
and took them on board and the  
Captain sent for the Captain of the Minerva Smith  
of the Bear Bedford and the Captain of  
Columbia of Sag Harbor and the Captain of  
the Mary of the Bear Bedford they came on  
board and took off the leg above in hand  
the line had cut it off and left the  
steward of the Bank Columbia watch was  
a Doctor latter part took the whale  
to the ship and set him in so ends



John S. Hempstead Master 1857

Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds and pleasant middle and latter part moderate one man toward the boats but did not strike the sick employed in hauling the Doctor still on board and the man is doing well so ends

Tuesday July 14<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds and pleasant middle part moderate one man toward the boats but did not strike the Doctor is still on board and the man is doing well latter part the same so ends this day

Wednesday July 15

Strong winds and pleasant saw several one man hauled going quick toward but did not strike the Minerva Smith hauling the Doctor is still on board and the sick man is doing well latter part moderate so ends this day

Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup>

Strong winds and pleasant saw 3 whales going one man quick to the Northward off N S in the Captin took the Doctor on board of the Columbia again middle and latter part the same the man is much better so

Friday July 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant off daylight toward for whales but did not strike at sundown came on board latter part the same the sick man is doing well a ship came to anchor but did not know her name so ends this day

Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with one fine fresh gale and heavy squalls of rain off S & S W sick man let go the small anchor and paid out 30 fath of chain middle and latter part now moderate one man toward the boats but did not strike the Doctor is still on board and the man is doing well so ends this day



Ship, vesper lying at anchor at the Rose <sup>Islands</sup> bay  
Sunday July 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant show up the labour  
anchor and cleaned it middle part moderate  
the Captin let the Bark Columbus have  
1 cask of Malaga and 1 pipe of Brandy and  
1 cask of flour and a shaping gun and  
the spare anchor that was the station  
part the same so ends this day

Monday July 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant got 1 cask  
of weather from the Columbus 3 cask  
of rice and gratified yams and a ham  
of pumpkins 4 or 5, had dinner the boats  
left sundown struck a whale and  
the line parted and it being dark  
we did not see him, rather part  
the same so ends this day

Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds toward the boats and struck  
a large whale killed him and he sunk  
to the bottom we hauled him up  
the day on the bottom about half  
an hour and when we got him on  
the top of the weather he was half  
eat up by the shark the Captin got  
the ship under weigh but before he  
got to the whale the sharks had  
took the most middle and latter part <sup>so ends</sup>

Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds toward but did not  
strike it, we took anchor and  
saw them up the bay middle and  
latter part moderate so ends

Thursday July 23<sup>rd</sup>  
light and pleasant toward the boats and  
struck a whale and killed him and  
took him to the ship and began  
cutting middle station same so ends



John Hempstead, Master 1857

Friday July 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant lowered and struck a whale and killed him and took him to the ship began cutting at dark quit cutting and began to boil both part the same so ends

Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant finished cutting middle and latter part the same employed in boiling so ends this day

Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breezes employed in boiling middle part more moderate lowered but did not strike latter part got threw boiling so ends this day

Monday July 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds and pleasant lowered but did not strike middle and latter part more moderate employed in boiling all between decks so ends this day

Tuesday July 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant lowered stowed down boats but did not strike the 200 lb Captive and lowered Capt middle and latter part the same so ends

Wednesday July 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant lowered the boats and struck and after running about 15 miles from the we killed him and began to tow but we had a wind and tide so the captive anchored him and came to the ship and got under weight and went to the latter part the same so ends



Ship, before lying at anchor at the Rose Bay Island  
Thursday July 30

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant At 6 AM  
began to cut and got three At 2 PM  
and the got under weight and went back  
into the bay after part the sand

Friday July 31

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This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant toward the  
boats and At 5 AM the boat  
and it came on dark and we had to  
cut and came on board midle and latter  
part the sand employed in hailing  
so ends this day

Saturday Aug 1

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant employed in  
boiling midle part the sand  
latter part moderate toward the  
boats struck a whale killed head  
and took skin & longish so ends

Sunday Aug 2

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant employed  
in cutting no whale in sight midle  
and latter part the sand so ends

Monday Aug 3

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant employed in  
boiling At 3 PM got done midle  
and latter part the sand so ends

Tuesday Aug 4

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant employed in  
Now down taking out the other hatch and  
9 AM steering down 2 boats whaling but  
did not strike so ends this day

Wednesday Aug 5

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant employed in  
spicing of food & between casks & boat  
whaling latter part the sand so ends



John Humphreys Martin 1857  
Thursday Aug 6

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant employed in  
setting up shooks & boats as haling middell  
and latter part the same so ends

Friday Aug 7



This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant commenced whaling  
in company with the bark Mary of  
San Rafael at 8 A.M. commenced and  
struck a whale and killed him  
took him to the ship and  
cut him in a latter part the same

Saturday Aug 8



This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant commenced the boats  
struck a whale and took him to the  
Mary and cut him in a latter part  
took another a long side of the ship  
latter part the same so ends

Sunday Aug 9

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant - 6 A.M. began  
cutting and at 11 A.M. got done the  
boats of after whale but did not  
strike latter part the same so ends

Monday Aug 10

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant employed in  
boiling and chasing whales but without  
success latter part the same so ends

Tuesday Aug 11

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant commenced the  
boats and the Mary boat struck  
and killed him and took him  
a long side of the Mary and began  
to cut him in and our boats off  
chasing but without success so ends



May 1st  
Ship & vessel at anchor at the Rose.  
Wednesday Aug 12

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant toward the  
boats and struck a whale and  
he ran off shore 15 miles & before  
we killed him then took him  
to the vessel & lather part the  
same so ends this day

Thursday Aug 13

This day begins with  
strong down strong winds and pleasant at 6 began  
68 lbs cutting and at 10 got done & lather  
part employed in stowing down  
the oil that was on deck so ends

Friday Aug 14

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant employed in  
boiling & lather part moderate & toward  
but did not strike so ends

Saturday Aug 15

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant finished  
boiling & toward the boat & but  
knot & strike lather part the same so ends

Sunday Aug 16

This day begins with  
strong down strong winds and cloudy weather  
88 lbs toward but without success & lather  
part moderate employed in  
stowing down so ends this day

Monday Aug 17

This day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant weather  
employed in setting up shoes & lather  
part moderate toward but did not  
strike so ends this day

Tuesday Aug 18

This day begins with  
strong winds and cloudy & lather part  
moderate toward but did not  
strike so ends this day



John S. Hempstead & Co. brashers 1857  
Wednesday Aug 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with moderate gales and pleasant. lowered the boats and went off from the ship and could not get back before dark. latter part the sand saw very few whales so ends this day

Thursday Aug 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant. lowered the boats but without success. latter part the sand so ends this day

Friday Aug 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant. lowered the boats and struck a bit the iron drawn and we lost the whale. latter part the sand so ends

Saturday Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with light winds and fog. lowered the boats and one of the many boats struck and killed him and took him to the Mary. latter part pleasant so ends this day

Sunday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with light winds and pleasant. lowered the boats and struck a whale and took him to the Mary. latter part the many boat struck and killed and took him to the Mary so ends

Monday Aug 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh gales from the N. W. employed in cutting. latter part commenced boiling so ends this day

Tuesday Aug 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds and pleasant. employed in sailing. latter part moderate. lowered the boats but did not strike so ends this day



Ship, being at anchor off the Rock Threaves  
Wednesday Aug 26

this day begins with  
the strong winds and pleasant employed in  
48 fms showing down latter part the same  
no whales in sight so ends

Thursday Aug 27

this day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant lowered the  
boats and chased but no success the  
bow boat employed in getting of  
sand latter part the same so ends

Friday Aug 28

this day begins with  
light winds and calm lowered the  
boats but no success latter part  
the same so ends this day

Saturday Aug 29

this day begins with  
light winds and pleasant lowered the  
boats and struck and took him  
to the bay latter part the  
same so ends this day

Sunday Aug 30

this day begins with  
light winds and pleasant lowered  
the boats and struck and took him  
to the ship latter part employed  
in cutting so ends this day

Monday Aug 31

this day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant lowered  
the boats but no success latter  
part moderate employed in bailing  
so ends this day

Tuesday Sep 1

this day begins with  
light winds and pleasant lowered the  
and one of the officers boats struck  
and took him to the vessel  
and cut him in so ends this day



John F. Hempstead Master 1837  
Wednesday Sep <sup>the</sup> 2

this day begins with  
light winds and pleasant weather  
the boats start no success employed  
in hauling so ends this day

Thursday Sep <sup>the</sup> 3

this day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant employed in  
breaking out the hulls deck and coopers  
the oil middle and latter part  
the same so ends this day

Friday Sep <sup>the</sup> 4

this day begins with  
strong winds and pleasant employed in  
60 lbs stowing down oil and getting ready for sea  
middle and latter part the same  
one man sick of duty so ends

Saturday Sep <sup>the</sup> 5

this day begins with  
strong winds from the E S W all  
ready for sea but the wind being a  
head we could not get under weight  
middle and latter part of some seeing  
one man sick of duty with the Kumatis

Sunday Sep <sup>the</sup> 6

this day begins with  
light winds from the West at 11 A.M.  
got under weigh and proceeded to sea  
latter part strong winds heading on the  
wind to the E S W so ends this day  
one man sick of duty with the Kumatis

Monday Sep <sup>the</sup> 7

this day begins with  
light winds from " at 6 A.M. starting  
on the wind is the E S W  
middle and latter part the same  
employed in cleaning ship so ends  
one man sick with the Kumatis  
Lat by Obs 19-12 S Long by Chron 116-04 E



Ship bound to Geography Bay,  
Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong winds from the S. E. heading to  
the N. W. and under all sail middle  
and latter part the same so ends  
One man sick with the Rheumatis  
Lat by G. 18-50 N Long by Chron 114-58

Wednesday Sep 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
fresh breezes from the S. E. heading  
to the westward middle and latter part  
the same employed in cleaning ship  
One man sick with the Rheumatis so ends  
Lat by G. 19-04 N Long by Chron 115-25

Thursday Sep 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
moderate gales from the S. E. heading on  
the wind to the Westward under double  
reefed topsails & latter part more  
moderate & made all sail so ends  
One man sick with the Rheumatis  
Lat by G. 19-00 N Long by Chron 115-51

Friday Sep 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from the S. E. heading S. S. W.  
middle and latter part the same employed  
on the rigging so ends this day  
One man sick with the Rheumatis  
Lat by G. 19-36 N Long by Chron 112-08

Saturday Sep 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong winds from the S. E. heading on  
the wind to the westward middle and  
latter part the same so ends this day  
One man sick with the Rheumatis  
Lat by G. 20-17 N Long by Chron 111-01

Sunday Sep 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong winds from the S. E. heading  
One man sick all day the wind middle and latter  
part the same so ends this day  
Lat by G. 21-00 N Long by Chron 109-45



John P Hempstead, Master 1857  
Monday Sep <sup>the</sup> 14

<sup>One man</sup>  
Sick  
This day begins with  
light winds from the S S E heading on  
the wind to the N N W Middle and latter  
part the same employed in hauling the  
main top sail so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 21° 31' Long by Chron 108° 36' E

Tuesday Sep <sup>the</sup> 15

This day begins with  
strong winds from the N N W standing on  
the wind to the N E Middle and  
latter part the same employed on the  
main top sail under Fore & Main  
top sail so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 22° 43' Long by Chron 108° 39'

Wednesday Sep <sup>the</sup> 16

This day begins with  
strong winds and cloudy from the  
N N E standing on the to the Westward  
Middle and latter part the same so ends  
this day

Thursday Sep <sup>the</sup> 17

This day begins with  
light winds and squally from the  
N N W Middle and latter part  
the same employed in hauling sail  
so ends this day

Friday Sep <sup>the</sup> 18

This day begins with  
strong winds from the S S E heading  
on the wind to Middle and latter  
part the same so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 23° 22' Long by Chron 111° 28' E

Saturday Sep <sup>the</sup> 19

This day begins with  
strong winds from the S E heading  
S W by N Middle and latter part  
the same with the top Gallant sail  
perked so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 23° 49' Long by Chron 111° 13'



Ship, vessel, Rowed to Geography Bay  
Sunday Sep<sup>r</sup> 20

Strong winds from the N<sup>W</sup> & heading on  
the wind to the N<sup>W</sup> middle and latter  
part the same under Double Reefed top, S. 10  
Lat by Chron 28° 06 Long by Chron 109° 33' E

Monday Sep 21

This day begins with  
light winds from the S. heading on N.  
wind to the N. W. Middle and latter  
part the same employed in sitting up  
shakes. So and this day  
Lat by G. 2.5 = 47 Long by C. 10.8 = 45

Tuesday Sep <sup>the</sup> 22.

This clay, begins next to  
light winds from the N by E & heading to  
and the wind middle and a latter part  
the same employed, setting up it has been  
Lat by Obs  $2.5 = 48$  Long by Chron  $109 = 08$  &

Wednesday Sep<sup>r</sup> the 23<sup>d</sup>

This day begins with light winds and calm heading E by N. Middle and latter part the same employed on shoals so and this day I & R. O. C. 2001 at Long by Chron 109 44

Thursday - Sep 24

The day begins with  
light wind and calm shading to the S W  
rather part the same employed on the boats  
and painting the houses so early this day,  
Sat by the 2. 8. 21 and Long by (noon 11. 0. 4).

Friday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> 1885

light winds and pleasant from the S &  
Reading 8 1/2 miles and left for  
the same employed in copying and  
putting, Saw 1 Campbell's Towhee  
Sat by C. 2.6 = 40 ft Long by C. 10.9 = 2.8



John P. Hempstead Master 1857  
Saturday Sep 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S W heading S S E  
middle and latter part heavy squalls under  
S E the Cooper sick with sea-sickness so ends  
Sat by Obs 27 42 Long by Chron 111 38

Sunday Sep 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S heading E on  
the wind middle and latter part the  
same the Cooper is now better so ends  
Sat by Obs 27 54 Long by Chron 111 44 E

Monday Sep 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from the S S E heading S W  
on the wind middle and latter part clearly  
employed in ship duty so ends this day  
Sat by Obs 28 32 Long by Chron 111 11 E

Tuesday Sep 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the S S E heading  
S W on the wind under double  
reefed topsails middle and latter part  
the same so ends this day  
Sat by Obs 29 50 S Long by Chron 108 52

Wednesday Sep 30<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the S S E heading S W  
under double reefed topsails with a heavy sea  
running middle and latter part the same  
with the ship backing shawl so ends this day  
Sat by Obs 30 30 S Long by Chron 107 42 E

Thursday Oct 1<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the S S E heading  
on the wind to the Eastward middle and latter  
part took in topallant sails so ends this day  
Sat by Obs 30 16 S Long by Chron 109 01



Ship's log Round to Geographers Bay,  
Friday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the N N W heading  
N E by E under Double reefed topsails  
rather great heavy squalls with hail  
ship heaving 100 strokes and hauls several  
Lat by Obs 30-47 N Long by Chron 111-15 W

Saturday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the Southward heading E by N  
under Double reefed topsails middle and latter  
part more moderate so on the day  
Lat by Obs 30-52 N Long by Chron 112-31 E

Sunday Oct 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the Eastward heading on  
the round to the Southward middle and latter  
part the same under Double reefed topsails some  
Lat by Obs 31-15 N Long by Chron 112-02 E

Monday Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the Northward course N E  
middle and latter part heavy gales with  
squalls of rain under Double reefed topsails  
and fore sail so on the day  
Lat by Obs 33-00 N Long by Chron 112-10 E

Tuesday Oct 6<sup>th</sup>

This day with begins  
fresh gales from the Westward bearing N E  
At 2 P M saw the land Dis 25 miles  
and at 9 P M came to anchors in  
Geographers Bay in 7 fath of water  
and gave her 45 fath of chain so ends

Wednesday Oct 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes from the southward at daylight got under  
weigh and stood up the bay about 5 miles and saw  
a raft of casks on shore for water, so ends



John S Hempstead. Boston 1857  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds and pleasant employed in getting  
of wood and water at 3 P.M. Captain came on  
board got under weigh. and started for Freeman  
latter part the same so ends

Friday Oct 19<sup>th</sup> this day begins with  
light airs and calm middle and latter part  
the same. Lat. 33.00 so ends

Saturday Oct 16<sup>th</sup> this day begins with  
strong breezes from the S. E. with heavy squalls  
of rain laying to under short sail heading off  
shore latter part the same so ends

Sunday Oct 11<sup>th</sup> this day begins with  
strong winds from S. W. at 6 P.M. saw the  
island of Rottnest tacked and stood of shore  
latter part the same so ends

Monday Oct 12<sup>th</sup> this day begins with  
strong breezes and pleasant Pilot came on board  
at 10 A.M. and took the ship into the harbour.  
at 3 P.M. came to anchor in 5 fath water and  
gave her 45 fath of chain captain went on shore.

Tuesday Oct 13<sup>th</sup> This day commences with  
strong wizzles from S. E. at eight A.M. the  
four caulkers came on board and commenced  
caulking middle and latter part the same so ends

Wednesday Oct 14<sup>th</sup> this day begins with  
strong breezes employed in sending down top  
gallant masts and caulking so ends

Thursday Oct 15<sup>th</sup> this day begins with light  
winds and pleasant sent a man on shore named  
Edward Conway sick employed in caulking so ends



# Ship Vesper laying at Freemantle

Friday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes from S. employed in caulking latter part sent a raft on shore for water wends

Saturday Oct 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes but crew on shore filling water the caulkers employed as usual so ends

Sunday Oct 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes and pleasant so ends

Monday Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong southerly breezes employed in caulking got a raft of water on board and sent another on shore to be filled so ends

Tuesday Oct 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes from S. sent on shore 97 bundles of bone employed in caulking and painting ship wends

Wednesday Oct 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes from S. E. employed in caulking and painting one watch ashore on liberty so ends

Thursday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes and pleasant employed in caulking and painting one watch ashore on liberty so ends

Friday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with rain and strong breezes from S. E. caulkers at work on the fore-castle under a running one watch on shore on liberty so ends finished caulking at 5 P.M.

Saturday Oct 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes and pleasant this day finished painting one watch on shore liberty so ends



# John P Hempstead master 1857

Sunday Oct 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light breeze from S. one watch on shore on liberty

Monday Oct 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light breeze from S. with rain got on board a ref.  
of water one watch on shore on liberty so ends

Tuesday Oct 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light wind from S. E. employed in getting stores  
on board so ends

Wednesday Oct 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong breeze from S. all ready for sea waiting for  
fair wind at 6 P.M. got some stores on board so ends

Thursday Oct 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
strong breeze from S. E. left camp on board at 9 A.M.  
weighed anchor, and broke the strop of the small anchor  
getting it up, at 2 P.M. the ship left at sundown  
Bottineau Island bore. S. W. distance 12 miles. so ends

Friday Oct 30

this day commences with  
light winds from the southward standing on different  
tacks for Geography Bay middle and latter part the same

Saturday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with  
strong breeze from southward, beating up the coast for  
Geography Bay at sundown made Cape Naturaliste distant  
25 miles. bearing S. S. E. so ends

Sunday Nov 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with  
strong breeze from S. W. at 10 A.M. the wind hauled  
to the westward, and died away almost calm, and at 6  
P.M. came to anchor in Geography Bay in 5 fath water  
and gave her 45 fath of chain at sundown left end of day went  
on shore latter part the same so ends



# Ship Vesper laying in Geography Bay

Monday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day commences with light winds, and pleasant wind from S. W. sent a raft of casks on shore to be filled with water, employed in painting ship and fitting a stock on the small anchor so ends

Tuesday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from S, employed in getting of water and stowing it down latter part the same so ends

Wednesday Nov 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes from the Western one watch ashore on Liberty employed in painting ship. so ends

Thursday Nov 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong westerly winds and rain at 10 A.M. it freshened to a gale. Let go the 2 anchor paid out 90 fath chain on the large anchor and 45 fath of chain on the small anchor

Friday Nov 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong gales from S. W. at daylight sent down top gallants masts and yards latter part more moderate so ends

Saturday Nov 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with moderate breezes. Let up the small anchor and found it broke off on the shank 2 foot and a  $\frac{1}{2}$  from the stock one watch on Liberty so ends

Sunday Nov 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with pleasant weather wind from S E one watch ashore on Liberty

Monday Nov 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong winds from W. sent a small raft of casks on shore and filled them latter part the same so ends

Tuesday Nov 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from S. W. one watch on Liberty and the rest of wood so ends



John P. Hempstead Master 1857

Wednesday Nov 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds & pleasant - one watch on shore on liberty employed in getting of wood so ends

Thursday Nov 12<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with fresh southerly breeze one watch on shore on liberty employed in getting of wood so ends

Friday Nov 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze from S.W. one watch on liberty the Brown deserted not employed in getting of potatoes so ends

Saturday Nov 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with one man named Ed. M. being brought from S.E. employed in getting ready Conway discharged sick for sea so ends

Sunday Nov 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds and pleasant ship all ready for sea, the Captains wife on shore very sick so ends

Monday Nov 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds & pleasant all ready for sea Captains wife still sick latter part brought on board a live bullock

Tuesday Nov 17<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with light airs and calm accompanied with rain Captain wife sick so ends

Wednesday Nov 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from S.E. at 10 A.M. Captain came on board waiting for a fair wind so ends

Thursday Nov 19<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with light winds of shore at daylight weighed anchor & proceeded to sea at 2 P.M. land distant 3.5 miles latter part employed in stowing away the cables so ends



# Ship Tesper bound to Crozet

Friday Nov 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from S. W. standing to the Northward under all sail middle & latter part the same so ends no observation this day.

Saturday Nov 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from S. E. heading N. W. under all sail employed in ship's duty so ends  
Lat by Ob 30. 55<sup>th</sup> Long by Chro 115. 18<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from E. N. E. course N. W. under all sail middle and latter the same so ends  
Lat 30. 17<sup>th</sup> Long by Chro 111. 25<sup>th</sup>

Monday Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from S. E. course N. W. under all sail middle and latter part the same employed in the rigging  
Lat by Ob 29. 17<sup>th</sup> Long by Chro 108. 56<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday Nov 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from E. S. E. course N. W. under all sail sails employed in patching the bullock & mending the jib so ends, No observation this day

Wednesday Nov 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from S. E. course N. W. under all sail employed in making spun yarn middle & latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Ob 28. 54<sup>th</sup> Long by Chro 102. 24<sup>th</sup>

Thursday Nov 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from E. course N. W. under all sail employed in making spun yarn and mending the main top sail, middle & latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Ob 29. 13<sup>th</sup> Long by Chro 100. 70. 2<sup>th</sup>



John P. Hempstead Master 1857

Friday Nov 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from E. with cloudy weather course W by N employed in mending the fore-sail and painting a boat middle & latter part the same sounds. Lat 29 = 13°

Saturday Nov 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds and rain. Lat 1. Full wind hauled round to the southward employed in painting boats and getting rigging do end. Lat 28 = 49°

Sunday Nov 29<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with fresh breezes from E. course W. 1/2 N under all sail so ends Lat by obs 28 = 15. Long by Chron 95 0 = 08

Monday Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from E. ward steering N. 1/2 W employed in repairing a boat. 1 ship in sight standing to the northward middle & latter part the same so ends. Lat by obs 27 = 47. Long by Chron 93 = 20.

Tuesday Dec 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from E. ward steering N. 1/2 W middle part the wind hauled round to the westward. Steering fresh with squalls and rain double reefed the top sails latter part the same so ends. Lat 27 = 45.

Wednesday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from N. W steering W. 1/2 N under top sails middle and latter part the same so ends. Lat by obs 25 = 57. Long by Chron 91 = 09.

Thursday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day commences with strong breezes from N. W steering N. 1/2 W employed in making spun yarn and painting a boat middle and latter part the same so ends. Lat by obs 26 = 49 Long by acct 89 = 10 6.



# Ship Vesper bound to Crozets

Friday Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds from S.E. Steering S.E. employed making spun yarn middle and latter part cloudy & cool  
Lat by acc<sup>t</sup> 26-40. Long by acc<sup>t</sup> 87-00

Saturday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds from E. heading S.E. employed in making spun yarn middle and latter part the same  
Lat by obs 26-50 Long by obs 84-29 E

Sunday Dec 6<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs & calm middle and latter part the same so ends  
Lat by obs 26-52. Long by acc 83-50

Monday Dec 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds S.E. heading S.E. employed in working on the rigging middle & latter part the same so ends  
Lat 26-55 by obs Long by obs 82-40

Tuesday Dec 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light easterly winds heading S.E. employed in darning shoes & etc middle & latter part the same so ends  
Lat by obs 27-55 Long by obs 80-49

Wednesday Dec 9<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong wind from E. Steering S.E. by S employed in making spun yarn & repairing and cleaning the minding machine and repairing the flying jib middle and latter part the same so ends  
Lat by obs 28-35. Long by obs 79-09 E

Thursday Dec 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light easterly breezes heading S.E. by S employed in repairing a main top sail middle & latter part same  
Lat by obs 29-30 Long by obs 77-35



John P. Hempstead Master 1857  
Friday Dec 11<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with light air & calm from the Nward & Wward employed in ships duty middle & latter part the same ends with a dead calm.  
Lat by obs 29 = 48 Long by chro 76 = 36<sup>2</sup>

Saturday Dec 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds & rain from S. heading from W by S employed in breaking out water & provisions & at middle and latter part strong breezes and pleasant so ends this day  
Lat by obs 30 = 30 Long by chro 75 = 34

Sunday Dec 13<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with strong winds from S. heading W by S middle part the same and latter part ends with light air & rain so ends  
Lat by obs 31 = 00 Long by chro 74 = 08

Monday Dec 14<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with light winds from S. heading W by S employed repairing main top gallant sails middle & latter part the same so ends  
Lat by obs 31 = 06 Long by chro 74 = 00

Tuesday Dec 15<sup>th</sup>

a calm & pleasant. This day begins with employed on the rigging latter part light air from W by south heading S. so ends this day  
Lat by obs 31 = 15 Long by chro 73 = 50

Wednesday Dec 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light air from the Nward heading to the Sward employed in ships latter part calm & rainy & ends with one ship in sight  
Lat by obs 31 = 58 Long by chro 73 = 54

Thursday Dec 17<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with strong breezes from N. N. W. heading W by S. at six A.M. took in top Gallant sails employed in ships duty middle and latter part the same so ends  
Lat by obs 32 = 45 Long by chro 72 = 26



# Ship Vesper bound to Crozet

Friday Dec 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds from the N. ward accompanied with heavy squalls of rain steering W by N under double reefed topsails latter part moderate breezes from S. by E made all sail saw a sail standing to the eastward so ends  
Lat by obs  $33 = 13$  Long by chro  $71 = 41^{\circ}$

Saturday Dec 19<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with strong breezes from South heading West employed in backing out for vision & making middle and latter same so ends this day  
Lat by obs  $32 = 50$  Long by chro  $70 = 03^{\circ}$

Sunday Dec 20<sup>th</sup>

Today begins with strong winds from S & heading W by S middle & latter part the same winds this day  
Lat by obs  $32 = 55$  Long by chro  $68 = 00^{\circ}$

Monday Dec 21<sup>st</sup>

This day commences with fresh breezes from the E. ward heading W by S employed in ships duty middle & latter part the same so ends this day  
Lat by obs  $33 = 18$  Long by chro  $65 = 30^{\circ}$

Tuesday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with light winds from S. E. heading W employed in repairing the flying jib middle & latter part fresh breezes from the N. ward so ends  
Lat by obs  $33 = 58$  Long by chro  $65 = 07^{\circ}$

Wednesday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>

Today begins with light airs & calms from S. E. heading N middle & latter part light breezes from S. E. employed on the rigging & c. so ends  
Lat by obs  $34 = 25$  Long by chro  $63 = 42^{\circ}$



John P Hempstead Master  
Thursday Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1857

this day begins with  
steady breezes from S. heading W. employed  
over hauling & haling gear. Seen several fin  
backs and saw two whales standing to theeward  
middle & latter part the same so ends  
Lat by obs 35 = 10. Long by chro 61 = 53 E.

Friday Dec 25<sup>th</sup>

this day commences with  
strong breezes from N. E. steering W. employed  
at on boat sails and Et over board humpbacks  
middle and latter part same so ends this day  
Lat by obs 35 5. Long by chro 59 = 53 E

Saturday Dec 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
begin with strong winds from the E. wind with  
rain & fog at 10 A.M. wind hauled to the Tward  
heading W. latter part raining and foggy so ends  
no observation this day

Sunday Dec 27<sup>th</sup>

to day commences with  
strong winds from S. with rain and fog steering W. latter  
part strong breezes and pleasant weather so ends  
Lat by obs 36 = 35 Long by chro 55 = 44 E

Monday Dec 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with  
light winds from N. E. steering W. saw a school  
of black fish going to the Eward, did not lower  
employed cleaning & repairing a small stove so ends  
Lat by obs 37 = 05. Long by chro 54 = 52 E

Tuesday Dec 29

to day commences with  
strong breezes from N. E. steering W. employed ship  
duty & mending main topmast stay sail middle  
part the same, latter part squally at 5 P.M. double  
reefed the top sails so ends  
Lat, by obs 37 = 25 Long by chro 52 = 48 E



# Ship Vesper of New London bound to Crojets

Wednesday Dec 30<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong gales from S. W. steering W. S. W. under double reefed topsails middle part the same saw a sail standing to the S. E., latter part strong gales with rain & fog laying to under close reefed main top sail so ends no observation

Thursday Dec 31<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with strong gales from S. laying to under close reefed main top sail middle part squalls of rain latter part the same Lat by obs 38-45 Long by chr 50-08 E

Friday Jan 1

This day commences with strong gales from S. W. steering on the wind under double reefed topsails at 5 P.M. saw a ship middle & latter part the same, Lat by obs 38-42. so ends

Saturday Jan 2

This day begins with strong breezes from N. E. heading S. E. all sail set saw firebricks employed breaking out water & powder and putting up barrels to waist boat middle and latter part the same so ends this day Lat by obs 39-00. Long by chr 49-09 E

Sunday Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day commenced with strong gales from S. E. steering S. W. running under double reefed top sails, at 10 P.M. wind backed round to the S. W. blowing strong gales middle & latter part laying to under close reefed main top sail, so ends Lat by obs 40-38 E

Monday Jan 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs & calms from the S. W. & S. heading to the S. W. saw one ship employed in ships duty middle and latter part the same so ends Lat by obs 41-08. Long by chr 50-21 E

Tuesday Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds from S. E. steering on the wind, much fog and rain, at 4 P.M. wind backed to the N. W. with strong breezes and fair weather saw firebricks men employed in ships



# John P Hempstead Master 1858

dyty so ends.. no observation this day  
Wednesday Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

to day commenced with light winds from the N. E. steering on the wind employed in ship's duty, saw two fair backs middle & latter part the same. took in sail at 7 P.M. so ends this day.  
Lat by obs 41-50 Long by chro 49-15 E

Thursday Jan 7<sup>th</sup>

to day commenced with strong winds from S. E. heading S. N. E. rain and foggy weather middle and latter part same. saw nothing to day, at 4 P.M. took in sail, so ends no observation this day.

Friday Jan 8<sup>th</sup>

to day commenced with strong winds from S. E. with rain & fog heading S. N. E. middle part the same at 1 P.M. saw blackfish lowered and took two, latter part cleared up with fair weather at 4 P.M. took in sail. no observation to day.

Saturday Jan 9<sup>th</sup>

to day begins with light winds and pleasant weather from S. E. steering on the wind heading S. N. E. middle and latter part strong winds and rain and fog. trying to under close reef main top sails saw nothing to day so ends.  
Lat by obs 43-17 Long by chro 47-49 E

Sunday Jan 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with moderate breezes and clear weather from the N. E. steering on the wind saw several fair backs middle & latter part the same at 7 P.M. took in sail so ends.  
Lat by obs 44-00 Long by chro 47-24 E

Monday Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong gales and fog from S. E. trying to under close reef main top sail at 1 P.M. started trying work finished trying out at 6 P.M. middle and latter part moderate breezes from N. with clear and pleasant weather.  
Lat by obs 44-26 Long by chro 47-16 E



Ship *Esperanza* of New London cruising for Whales  
Tuesday Jan 12<sup>th</sup>

to day commenced with  
light breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather  
sailing S. at 4 P.M. saw black fish lowered  
hook one tried him out, at 12 P.M. wind hauled  
to the N.E. with fog, the latter part rainy.  
so ends Lat 44 - 20

Wednesday Jan 13<sup>th</sup>

to day began with  
strong breeze from S.W. laying to under  
close reefed main top sail middle part rain and fog  
at 1 P.M. saw a ship day ends with clear weather  
no whales in sight to day Lat by obs 44 - 49

Thursday Jan 14<sup>th</sup>

to begin with  
moderate breeze from S.W. & were cruising all  
day saw several finbacks, and one right whale going  
very quick saw one ship, middle & latter part the  
same at 7 P.M. took in sail so ends  
Lat by obs 44 - 45 Long by chro 48 - 23 E

Friday Jan 15<sup>th</sup>

to day commenced with  
strong breeze from N.E. starting on different  
backs saw two right whales going quick & in midday  
saw finbacks middle & latter part strong breeze and  
weather at 7 P.M. took up sail so ends this day  
Lat by obs 44 - 45 Long by chro 48 - 23 E

Saturday Jan 16<sup>th</sup>

to day commences with  
light breeze from S.W. & were cruising all day  
saw several finbacks middle & latter part light breeze &  
calms at 8 P.M. took in sail so ends Lat by obs 44 - 34

Sunday Jan 17<sup>th</sup>

to day commenced with  
strong breeze from S.W. & were cruising all day  
saw several finbacks chasing right whales lowered the boats 3  
times but no success at 2 past 7 P.M. took  
in sail so ends  
Lat by obs 44 - 15 Long by chro 47 - 02 E



John T. Hempstead Master. 1858  
Monday Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>

5-day commences  
with light rain and calms, at 1 P.M. a good breeze  
sprang up from the S.W. and at 2 P.M. we made  
for eight miles chased them till sundown but  
no success at 8 P.M. took in sail so ends.  
Lat by obs 44-20 Long by chro 47-17 E

Tuesday Jan 19<sup>th</sup>

strong breezes from N, heading N, W, by the  
under double headed. Ospreys saw one in  
middle of water part some. 20 whales in water  
day at night. One band with 12 birds.  
Lat 44-18 Long by Chron 117-15 E

Wednesday - Dec 20

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This day (commenced  
with heavy ice from the N. standing in  
different blocks at 3 P.M. moderated much and  
at sundown took in sail, no whales in sight today  
Lat by obs 44-33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Long by Chron, 46-43. E.

Thursday Jan 21<sup>st</sup>

This day commences with moderate weather from the north and we arrived in about 3 times for night. Whales were seen for the second time. Struck and drew in chased whales till dark at 8 P.M. took in sail so ends  
lat by Ab 44 - 33 Long by chro 47 - 05 E

Friday June 22

strong gales from N. & with rain and thick fog, laying  
to under fore reefed main & sail middle and after  
part the same. no observation this day is made.

Thursday June 25

At day begins with  
calm from N. with clear weather saw several fin  
each & middle part gale increased hope to under close  
reefed main top sail latter part the same as do  
- set by the 43-52 by the 47-24 E



Ship Pepper of New London cruising of Crozet  
Sunday Jan 24<sup>th</sup>

to day commences with  
strong breeze from N W with clear weather lying  
to under close reef main top sail at 3 1/2 with the wind  
moderated made more sail and steered on the wind  
saw no whales so ends. Lat by ch 1.3-15 Long by ch 48 17 1/2

Monday Jan 25<sup>th</sup>

to day commences with  
strong breeze from N W at 8 A M lowered for  
light whales & back one turned him up and he sank  
at 11 A M. no success came on board and again we  
lowered reef & at 3 1/2 P M went on and struck and  
did not fasten middle & latter part light breezes &  
clear weather from N W at sundown took in sail  
no observation to day

Tuesday Jan 26<sup>th</sup>

to day begins with  
strong breeze from N W heading 8 1/2 employed in  
firing new lines for the boats, saw no whales to day  
middle and latter part the same at sundown took in sail  
Lat by ch 1.4-50 Long by ch 48 17-59

Wednesday Jan 27<sup>th</sup>

to day begins with  
light airs and calms from E S with continuous rain  
middle and latter part the same saw no whales to day  
at sundown took in sail no observation to day

Thursday Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

to day begins with  
strong breeze from N W steering on the wind saw no whales  
to day employed in ships duty middle part wind freshened  
to a gale double reefed the top sails latter part same so ends  
no observation to day

Friday 29<sup>th</sup>

to day commenced with  
strong breeze from N W steering on the wind saw no whales  
double reefed top sails middle and latter part the same  
saw nothing to day so ends  
Lat by ch 1.4-51 Long by ch 48 16 20



Johns. P. Hempstead Master 1858  
Saturday Jan 30<sup>th</sup>

This day began with strong winds accompanied with rain and fog from Sward and Starboard, laying to under close reefed main top sail at 6 P.M. Saw a ship in sight this day middle and latter part same so ends  
Lat by obs 44 05 Long by Chro 47-11

Sunday Jan 31<sup>st</sup>

to day commenced with light winds from S. W. Middle part the same at sundown took in sail saw nothing day ends with a calm  
Lat by obs 43-30 Long by Chro 46-56

Monday February 1<sup>st</sup>

to day began with light winds from S. W. Catering at 10 P.M. double reefed the top sails and at 5 P.M. took in sail to day ends with rain and a strong gale of wind from the Sward & Starboard  
Lat by obs 43-50 Long by Chro 47-31

Tuesday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day began with light breezes from Sward & Starboard shrouing saw plenty of inbacks employed in clearing out fresh water etc middle and latter part the same at sunset took in sail & ends  
Lat by obs 44-50 Long by Chro 47-58

Wednesday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day commences with strong gales of wind from N. W. laying to under close reefed main top sail all day no observation

Thursday Feb 4<sup>th</sup>

to day begins with strong breezes from N. N. W. shrouing at 1 P.M. took in double reefed top sails at 1 P.M. took in the rest of the top sails saw several inbacks and at sunset took in sail latter part fresh breeze & rain  
Lat by obs 45-45 Long by Chro 48-14



Ship's Journal of the New London Cruising of Greys  
Friday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>

This day commenced with  
light winds from S. E. N. W. Starting & being  
fifty miles in the middle part the same the  
day ends with strong winds and rain and  
foggy weather at sundown took in sail  
Lat by obs 45-40. Long by obs 48-55

Saturday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>

This day began  
with strong S. W. winds and fog at 7 AM  
made up and saw the barque North America  
and a few more ships in sight. In the  
middle part strong winds the ship standing  
in different tracks at sundown took in sail  
no observation

Sunday Feb 7

This day commenced  
with a light wind and fog from N. E. W. Laying  
to under close reefed main top sail at 4 PM  
cleared up saw barque North America of New London  
and barques Columbia, and Concordia, both of  
the Harbor. The captains came aboard at 4  
PM made sail, and at 8 PM took in sail saw  
no observation

Monday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong winds with a very thick fog from N. by E.  
Laying to all day under close reefed main top sail  
no observation.

Tuesday Feb 9<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong winds from N. W. W. with some  
fog at 1 PM saw several frigates at 2 PM 11  
AM. Laying to right to be no success in  
sight and turned again for right to be no success  
at 6 PM no success at sundown took in sail. 3  
ships in sight no observation this day



John P. Hempstead Master 1858  
Wednesday Feb 10<sup>th</sup>

Today commences with strong breezes from N, at 12 AM. Hauled for right whales and at 1 PM. saw the land in ran of before the wind heading S, saw two ships & at 4 PM took in sail so ends  
Lat by obs 44-45 Long by chro 50-30

Thursday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>

Today commences with strong wind from the N, with clear weather. Hauled in the wind saw right whales going very quick & saw several finbacks middle and latter very strong breezes and clear weather at 7 PM. took in sail  
Lat by obs 45-35 Long by chro 51-08

Friday Feb 12

Today began with strong breezes and foggy weather from N, W. at 12 PM. Hauled up and at 1 PM. made the land at 3 PM. and did away for sea in and at 7 PM. looked back the land 15 miles distant at 4 past 7 PM. took in sail so ends  
Lat by obs 46-12 Long by chro 52-01

Saturday Feb 13

Today began with strong winds from N, W. with rain and thick fog and continued so all through the day  
no observation

Sunday Feb 14

This day commenced with moderate breezes and clear weather from N, E, saw several finbacks at 3 PM. breeze freshened. took in sail. at 5 PM. saw the land and at sundown took in sail. the day end with strong breezes from N, E, ship heading E, the land bearing N, W.  
Lat by obs 46-13 Long by chro 51-10

Monday Feb 15<sup>th</sup>

This day began with strong winds from S, land in sight at 6 AM. 15 miles distant at 11 AM. hauled for right whales no success at 2 PM. wind freshened double reefed the top sails. at 4 PM. blew a gale storm with a heavy sea running and rain and fog bore away on the land and at 6 PM. hove to under close reefed main top sail lat 46-10



# Ship Report of the London cruising of Crozets

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>

Strong gales from S.W. laying too all day under close reefed main top sail, first part rainy and foggy and a heavy sea at 2 P.M. cleared off the wind unabated sounds at by obs 45-35 Long by chro 49-42.

Wednesday Feb 19<sup>th</sup>

to day began with strong gales & thick rainy weather from S.W. at 10 A.M. cleared up, middle and latter part with strong gales and a high sea running, again too all day under close reefed main top sail, no observation

Thursday Feb 20<sup>th</sup>

This day commenced with strong gales from S.W. at 1 P.M. thick foggy weather middle and latter part the same laying too all day under close reefed main top sail. no observation

Friday Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

to day began with strong gales accompanied with rain and a thick fog from S.W. laying too all day middle and last part the same no observation

Saturday Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day commenced with strong gales from S.W. accompanied with rain & fog, latter part cleared up, lowered twice for sight but no success at synchro taken but Lat by obs 45-32 Long by chro 50-24

Sunday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

to day began with moderate breezes from S.W. with clear weather at 1 P.M. saw right whales, lowered, streak, killed, and sank. latter part light breezes at 4 P.M. took in sail. a ship in sight Lat by obs 45-13.

Monday Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

This day began



John S. Hinckley Master 1835  
Monday Feb 22

this day began with strong breezes from N. E. foggy weather all day. At 4 P.M. cleared off, saw right whales, lowered, no success. Took the iron boat, and the whale got lost came on board and took in sail, no observation.

Tuesday Feb 23<sup>d</sup>

this day began with strong winds and fog from E. toward W. heard several wharves and several patterns middle and latter part the same employed in repairing the boat that got stuck. no ends. no observation.

Wednesday Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

this day commenced with strong winds from N. W. middle and latter part same finished repairing the boat saw a barque name unknown no ends. no observation.

Thursday Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

this day commenced with strong winds from N. W. with foggy weather middle part the same at 4 P.M. cleared off a little saw right whales, lowered, no success. Took the Barque Pearl of Sag Harbour went on board. At ends no observation this day.

Friday Feb 26<sup>th</sup>

this day began with moderate breezes from N. E. accompanied with thick fog. at 10 A.M. cleared off saw right whales, lowered, no success, middle & latter part strong steady breeze and pleasant weather at sundown took in sail. no ends.  
Lat by obs 45-35; Long by chrs 50-33.

Saturday Feb 27<sup>th</sup>

this day began with strong gales from N. W. with clear weather at 5 A.M. saw a right whale, middle part the same at 5 P.M. wind moderated. no ends.  
Lat by obs 45-20 Long by chrs 50-25



Ship *Thetis* of the *London* cruising of Crozets  
Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> -

This day began with  
light winds and pleasant weather from E. N. W.  
at 8 AM. saw eight whales, lowered, did not strike  
at 12 PM. wind increased took in top gallant sails  
at 2 PM. lowered again with no success, at 4 PM.  
the wind increased to a gale. took in sail, so ends  
Lat by obs 54 - 30

Monday March 1<sup>st</sup>

This day commenced with  
strong winds from N. W. & W. S. W. with  
foggy weather. lowered for right whales at 11 AM.  
at 3 PM. took in sail. saw nothing of the day.  
Lat by obs 45 - 15 Long by chrs 49 - 59.

Tuesday March 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day began with  
strong winds and a thick fog from the  
middle & latter part the same so ends  
no observation

Wednesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day began  
with strong winds and cloudy from S. E.  
lowered for right whales at 11 AM. came  
in foggy. boats came aboard, lowered again  
at 3 PM. without any success the day  
ends with strong wind & foggy weather  
no observation

Thursday March 4<sup>th</sup>

This day began  
with light breezes from the S. W. and  
clear weather lowered for right whales  
at 10 AM. went on and missed him, came  
on board and lowered again at 11 AM. went  
on and missed, came on board and lowered at  
3 PM. went on and struck him on the fin  
another boat went on and missed, at 4 PM.  
lowered and struck him at sundown  
lowered him up and got him alongside at  
9 PM. the day ends with strong winds &  
cloudy weather no observation  
a ship in sight



John D. Hempstead Master 1858  
Friday March 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins  
strong gales from N. wind at 5 P.M.,  
commenced cutting in at 7 P.M. and  
cutting on account of the gale increased  
heavy rain, made the whole very unpleasant  
and lay to all day under a very heavy rain  
the middle & latter part strong gale  
and clear weather, one ship in sight  
no observation.

Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong gales from N. at 1 P.M. moderated  
at 2 P.M. commenced cutting in and  
finished cutting at 8 P.M. middle &  
latter part strong winds & a rough sea  
so ends this day no observation.

Sunday March 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong breezes from N.W. & foggy weather  
accompanied with rain at 3 P.M. started  
the try works at 3 P.M. cleared off &  
at 4 P.M. lowered for right whales no success  
one ship in sight the day ends with strong  
winds and clear pleasant weather. no observation.

Monday March 8<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
light winds from N.E. at 10 A.M. lowered  
for right whales. struck, turned him up &  
got him alongside at 11 A.M. finished killing  
the last whale. at 2 P.M. commenced cutting in  
and finished at 5 P.M. cleared the decks & one  
Barque Columbia of Sag. Harbour in sight  
no observation.

Tuesday March 9<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong gales from N. and commenced with thick  
fog & snow down to base of hill. middle part  
heavy rain the day ends with light winds &  
thick fog no observation.



Ship Vesper of New London cruising for  
Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds & pleasant P.M. commenced  
boiling at 4 A.M. at 10 P.M. lowered for  
sight but had no success. lowered again at 7 P.M.  
no success came on board and lowered at 3 P.M.  
no success. two ships in sight at sun  
down took in sail so ends  
Lat by obs 44-35 Long by chro 75-7

Thursday March 11<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong breeze from S. with fair weather at  
10 A.M. commenced boiling. commenced stowing  
down oil stowed down 80 barrels and finished  
stowing down at 3 P.M. cleared up for deck  
and took in sail so ends. Lat by obs 45-25

Friday March 12<sup>th</sup>

This day commenced with  
strong winds from N.W. and thick foggy  
weather middle & latter part same so ends

Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong gales from N.W. heading S.W. & under  
close reefed top sails. weather good. middle & latter part the same so ends. Lat 45-28

Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong breezes from N.W. heading S.W. under  
close reefed top sails at 11 A.M. came on a  
foggy morning. at 1 P.M. wind and weather  
changed and we commenced making  
for land. at 3 P.M. saw on ship bearing  
S by S so ends. no observation

Monday March 15<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
light winds from S.W. heading S.W. under  
all sail employed. clearing home. middle  
& latter part strong breezes at 4 P.M. took in top  
gallant sails. 3 ships in sight standing to theeward  
Lat by obs 42-00 Long by chro 80-00 E



John W. Hempstead Master 1838  
Tuesday March 16<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with strong winds from W. with clear weather, running winds from W. to S. laying too all day under close reefed main top sail. latter part moderated and the day ends with strong winds & rain from W. to S.  
Lat by obs 41-40, S. Long by chro 48-55, E.

Wednesday March 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with calm at 11 AM, a moderate breeze sprang up from N. W. ship heading N. W. with all sail set. employed all day cleaning the ship & fowling new school ropes. saw one ship standing by. the day end with light winds and pleasant weather.  
Lat by obs 41-40 S. Long by chro 48-55, E.

Thursday March 18<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with light breeze from N. W. ship heading N. E. with all sail set. employed repairing the fore top sail mid. Lat by obs 41-40 S. Long by chro 48-55, E.

Friday March 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds from N. E. with foggy weather. at 11 AM all sail set. employed mending the fore sail. at 12 AM wind freshened & kept in, increasing till 1 PM when it blew from N. E. and it blew from N. E. the fore sail was set. no observation.

Saturday March 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong winds from N. W. heading N. W. with all sail set. employed repairing spars & cleaning spades & doing other work. and breaking out potatoes & provisions mid. Lat by obs 41-25, S. Long by chro 45-40, E.

Sunday March 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with calm & foggy. at 3 PM a light breeze sprang from N. E. cleared N. E. with latter part fog & hazy rain so ends. no observation.



Ship Resper of New London bound to St Helena  
Monday. March 22<sup>nd</sup>

To day commenced with  
a N. E. wind & heavy rain at intervals & a thick  
fog. heading off N. by W at 11 A.M. tacked, ship  
now headed E. N. E. at 3 P.M. wind shifted to  
the S. W. & clear, N. with a strong wind & pleasant  
weather under double reefed topmasts so did.

Tuesday. March 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day began  
with strong gale from N. W. heading  
north with all sail set. weather pleasant  
at 11 A.M. came on squally and  
smart showers of rain, took in top  
gallant sails & took a reef in the  
top sails, at 2 P.M. cleared off and the  
wind shifted to the S. W. took the ship  
out of the top sails and set the main top  
sail and steered N. E. the day had with  
clear weather and a strong breeze from S. W. turning  
before the wind. Lat by obs 40-30 S. Long by chro 45-47

Wednesday. March 24<sup>th</sup>

To day commenced with  
a strong north wind steering N. by E  
all sail set in light working in the  
breeze. wind shifted to latter part of day  
so did. Lat by obs 38-09 S.

Thursday. March 25<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
light breeze from N. W. steering N. by E  
at 10 A.M. wind died away to a calm  
employed on the rigging & masting top gallant  
studding sail, and painting & tidying sails  
booms & et middle & latter part light airs  
& pleasant weather from S. W. so did  
Lat by obs 37-00 S. Long by chro 40-50 E

Friday. March 26<sup>th</sup>

Today commences  
with a strong N. W. wind & pleasant weather  
heading N. by E all sail set. employed sending  
up top gallant masts & setting up the back stays  
and mending the main top gallant sail middle and last  
part the same so did.  
Lat by obs 35-47 S. Long by chro 40-35 E



J. P. Hempstead Master 1858  
Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup>

Strong breeze from N by E day began with  
under full sail at 12 M. back'd ship and  
headed at W by N. wind freshened and  
top gallant yards & bending fore & main  
top gallant sails and reefing about running  
rigging & breaking out provisions. At  
middle & latter part strong breezes from Nward  
Lat by obs 35-15 S Long by chro 40-18 E

Sunday March 28<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong gales from N heading at N by E  
under double reefed top sails, the gale  
increased & at 10 P.M. hove to under  
reefed main top sail, at 5 P.M. moderated  
made sail with the wind from the Nward  
& the ship heading to the Nward & hove to  
Lat by obs 35-25 S Long by chro 40-18 E

Monday March 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with the  
wind from S by E blowing strong & accom-  
panied with heavy rains & a thick atmos-  
phere at 9 A.M. double reefed the top sails  
& took in top gallant sails, steered at N by E  
at 11 A.M. wind died away and rain equalled  
till 4 P.M. a gale then sprang up from Sward  
steered at N by E under close reefed top sails.  
so ends no observation

Tuesday March 30<sup>th</sup>

This day began with strong  
gales from N by E laying to under close reefed  
main top sail at 7 A.M. main sail & top sail  
up the yards under close reefed top sails &  
headed at N by E middle of night breezes & clear  
weather. Steering on the wire with all sail  
set, the day ended with pleasant weather & light  
breezes from N by E heading at N by E  
employed on the rigging so ends  
Lat by obs 34-20 S Long by chro 35-49 E



Ship Vesper of New London bound to St Helena  
Wednesday March 31<sup>st</sup>

This day began with  
the wind from Nward & clear weather, steering  
on the ground under full sail & heading  
N. by E. at 5 P. M. wind hauled to the S  
ward and I there at 10, so ends  
employed on the rigging & ships duty.  
Lat by obs 33-15 N Long by obs 35-25 E

Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from S by S, steering  
N by E all sail set pleasant weather  
middle & latter part, same employed on  
the rigging & wetting hold & so ends  
Lat by obs 32-57 N Long by obs 33-33 E

Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Began with strong  
wind and good weather steering N, employed  
sending up shading sails, brooms & mending  
sludding sail gear & mending the main  
royal. Saw a ship standing N. middle  
& latter part strong breeze, from E. ends  
Lat by obs 23-23 N Long by obs 37-42 E

Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from E steering N by E saw  
a schooner standing E signalled her &  
showed her the longitudes, employed on  
the rigging & wetting hold middle & latter  
part same so ends  
Lat by obs 34-3 N Long by obs 28-57 E

Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
abisk wind from E steering N by E, 10 P. M.  
wind died away, middle part calm, saw a  
boat and went off board, the schooner  
of Mysie at 2 P. M. wind came up from  
the N by W, headed at N, latter part the same  
Lat by obs 35-34 N Long by obs 26-20 E



John D Hempstead Master 1858  
Monday April 5<sup>th</sup>

Light breeze from S by E. Starting 11 AM  
under all sail middle & latter part  
employed rattling the fore rigging & one  
ship in sight  
Lat by obs 35-40 S Long by obs 24-40 E

Tuesday April 6<sup>th</sup>

This day commenced  
with strong breeze from N. E. Starting 11 AM  
under double reefed top sails, a sail in  
sight employed in ship's duty and wetting hole  
middle & latter part strong breeze from S E  
and pleasant weather so ends  
Lat by obs 37-55 N Long by obs 20-58 E

Wednesday April 7<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong breeze from N. E. Starting 11 AM  
with all sail set middle & latter part  
the same employed on the fore rigging  
Lat by obs 35-18 S Long by obs 17-64 E

Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
moderate breeze from S E. Starting 11 AM  
under all sail employed making  
shudding sail beams and rattling the  
main rigging. middle and latter part  
same, so ends  
Lat by obs 33-35 S Long by obs 15-38 E

Friday April 9<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
light breeze from S E. Starting 11 AM  
employed on the main & main rigging  
& planing & running shudding sail beams  
middle & latter part same, so ends  
Lat by obs 32-04 S Long by obs 13-35 E

Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
light breeze from S E. Starting 11 AM  
with all sail set employed on the main & main  
rigging saw 2 ships & signals here one eng ship  
ship middle and latter part same, so ends  
Lat by obs 31-00 S Long by obs 12-54 E, 57



Trip (Cassier) bound to St Helena  
Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup>

to day begins with  
light airs & Calms from S heading N.E.  
at 5 P.M. light breeze sprang up from  
N.W. at 11. set the studding sails & started  
at 12. 11. 00 ends  
Lat by obs 29-40 S Long by Choc 13-33 E

Monday April 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light breezes from S & E starting at 10  
A.M. the wind freshened and the day ends with a good  
breeze from S.E. employed this day in fixing the  
flying jib boom, broke it, & the cooper at work on  
making a new one.

Lat by obs 28-45 S Long by Choc 12-19 E

Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup>

This day commences  
strong breezes from the N, E, starting at 11  
under full sail middle & latter part same  
employed this day, turning the rigging & finished  
the flying jib boom & so ends

Lat by obs 25-57 S Long by Choc 10-24 E

Wednesday April 14<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with  
light winds from S, E, starting at 11. 11  
middle part calm at 3 P.M. a light breeze sprang  
up from N.W. took in the studding sails & started  
the wind heading N. employed this day turning the  
rigging & rigging the flying jib boom & heading  
the flying jib & setting holds so ends

Lat by obs 20-15 S Long by Choc 9-05 E

Thursday April 15<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong breezes from N.W. by 11 heading N.E.  
at 7 A.M. took in top gallant sails &  
repacked the top sails. broke out the reef from  
between decks & repacked it & stowed it again  
at 12 A.M. finished & cleared the decks & made sail  
with the same from 1 P.M. to 10 P.M. on the wind  
Lat by obs 25-05 S Long by ac 8-45 E



1858  
John D Hempstead Master  
Friday April 16<sup>th</sup>

to day began with  
light airs from N. W. Steering N. by W. & W. by N.  
Lat middle & latter part same. employed in  
the rigging & making a gangway rail & cleaning  
between decks forward, so ends  
Lat by obs 24-18 N Long by obs 8-14 E

Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup>

To day commenced with  
a strong wind from S. E. Steering N. by W.  
middle & latter part same employed serving out  
Meals & ship carpentering & cleaning out provisions  
& setting up the main back stuns so ends  
Lat by obs 23-02 S Long by obs 6-19 E

Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>

To day began with  
strong winds from S. E. Steering N. by W.  
middle & latter part the same so ends this subject  
Lat by obs 21-40 S Long by obs 4-00 E

Monday April 19<sup>th</sup>

To day commenced with  
moderate gales from S. E. Steering N. by W.  
middle & latter part same. employed in cutting  
over a new mizzen top sail and bending  
the same, employed at various other duties so ends  
Lat by obs 19-52 S Long by obs 3-17 E

Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup>

These last 24 hours  
moderate gales from S. E. Steering N. by W.  
employed mending fore top sail and the main back  
stays setting up, saw a ship sailing to the N. W.  
ward. lost sight, so ends  
Lat by obs 18-19 S Long by obs 1-17 E

Wednesday April 21<sup>st</sup>

To day began with  
light winds from S. E. Steering N. by W.  
& W. by N. employed  
repairing sails and working at the rigging  
Lat by obs 17-32 S Long by obs 0-31 West



# Ship Esper bound to St Helena

Thursday April 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Fresh breezes from S & SE steering N by E middle part light  
breezes & cloudy at 5 PM wind freshened.  
saw a sail standing to the N by E employed  
this day making lines for signal buoys at  
large way, and tightening the mizen top  
gallant, back stays, as well as the 2<sup>d</sup> & 3<sup>d</sup> bearing  
Lat by obs 16° 46' S Long by Chron 2° 10' West

Friday April 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Strong breezes from S & SE commences with  
middle & later part same employed in ship duty  
& got hold.  
Lat by obs 16° 18' S Long by Chron 1° 39' West

Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>  
Began with strong  
winds from S & SE at 5 AM saw the land  
35 miles distant. bearing N by E at 10 AM  
came to anchor in 25 fath water paid out 60 fms  
of chain at 12 AM Capt to go on shore with  
his army, employed channing the ships side.

Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup>  
These last 24 hours  
strong winds from S & SE one watch ashore  
on liberty & the other half on board & one

Monday April 26<sup>th</sup>  
These last 24 hours  
strong squalls & showers of rain employed painting  
ing spars and getting water on wood one  
watch ashore on liberty

Tuesday April 27<sup>th</sup>  
These last 24 hours  
light winds & cloudy employed painting  
ship & one watch on liberty

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>  
Began with  
a moderate S Easter employed painting ship  
& getting fire wood on board one watch on liberty



John P. Hempstead Master 1858  
Thursday April 29<sup>th</sup>

beginning with strong  
dewy & heavy rains, to day finished painting  
one watch on Liberty

Friday April 30<sup>th</sup>

began with  
light winds from S & pleasant weather  
employed getting ready for sea one watch on  
Liberty & men ran away this morning

Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup>

began with  
strong winds from S, ship all ready  
sea employed getting stores on board  
caught one of the runaway men

Sunday May 2<sup>nd</sup>

this last 24 hours  
light winds & pleasant weather from S & E  
employed as usual on the Sabbath

Monday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day began with  
strong winds & rain, at 12 o'clock Captain  
came on board, weighed anchors & proceeded  
to sea with a strong S & W wind & steering N  
under full sail at sundown land distant  
35 miles so ends

Tuesday May 4<sup>th</sup>

this day commenced  
with light breezes from S & steering N  
employed scraping & painting the masts  
& various other duties middle & latter  
part the same as usual  
Latitude 15° 50' Long by Chron 82° 32' West

Wednesday May 5<sup>th</sup>

this day began  
with moderate breezes from S & steering  
N, middle & latter part same  
employed scraping & painting inside the  
ship & so ends this 24 hours  
Latitude 14° 28' Long by Chron 82° 25'



Thursday. May 6<sup>th</sup>

with a long, large eye of green. The eye is  
staring. The eye is not yet all covered  
and the eye is not yet all covered  
at all yet. The eye is not yet all covered  
and the eye is not yet all covered  
middle & better part of the eye is not yet  
covered. The eye is not yet all covered. B. 56 S

Friday. May 7<sup>th</sup>

May 7 This Sat 24 hours  
Moderate only. Wind S by charging at 1, 11, 12,  
middle & latter part employed painting & making  
up art provision. So birds  
Sat by obs 12°-45° & by therm 13°-35° that

Saturday May 8

Sunday. May 9<sup>th</sup>

May 9  
light air from S. E. during the day  
and a sail at 4 p. m. Sunday. A fine day  
as usual on the Sabbath  
Lat 40° 10' - 38' Long 160° 53' - 54'

*Monday May 10*

The game began with  
middle & latter part the game.  
Darnoffing of ears & etc.

Tuesday May 11<sup>th</sup>

May 11 To day commenced  
with moderate sales from the Government  
by S. J. Campbell & Co. painting, we held a show  
at 9 o'clock to 10 o'clock by Mrs. L. G. Hall



John D. Hempstead. Master 1858  
Wednesday May 12<sup>th</sup>  
Strong breezes from S & by E steering  
N by N all sail set employed in ship  
Lat by obs 12° 30' South Long by Obs 23° 19' W  
Thursday May 13<sup>th</sup>  
To day (engines) with strong breezes from S & by E steering  
N by N all sail set employed in ship  
Lat by obs 12° 30' South Long by Obs 23° 19' W  
Friday May 14<sup>th</sup>  
This day began with strong winds from S & by E steering  
N by N employed in repairing the main top gallant studding  
Lat by obs 12° 43' South Long by Obs 25° 38' W  
Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>  
This last 24 hours strong winds from S & by E steering  
N by N all sail set employed in ship  
Lat by obs 12° 30' South Long by Obs 27° 18' W  
Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup>  
This last 24 hours strong winds from S & by E steering  
N by N all sail set employed in ship  
Lat by obs 12° 30' South Long by Obs 29° 34' W  
one man sick



American Ship Vesper bound to New London  
Monday May 17<sup>th</sup>

The last 24 hours  
light winds & calm & squalls of rain  
saw a few whales. The crew & I  
employed breaking out fresh water & the  
day ends with squally weather & much  
rain. one man sick  
Lat by obs 00-40 S Long by Chron 30-49 West

Tuesday May 18<sup>th</sup>

Today commenced with  
light breeze & cloudy weather accompanied  
with showers of rain. The wind blew from the  
north & the ship sailed to the  
westward. Took in the forenoon sails & started on the  
wind latter part of the same saw 3 ships  
steaming. The same & I saw a signal  
a large American ship saw a school of black fish  
did not observe. Lat by obs 00-35 S

Wednesday May 19<sup>th</sup>

This day began with  
strong breeze from the N. E. & turning to N  
one man sick all day. At middle of latter part same  
saw two ships standing off the ship employed  
on ship duty - so crew, Lat by obs 2-20 North  
Long by Chron 32-05 West

Thursday May 20<sup>th</sup>

Today began with  
light breeze & cloudy weather. Took in  
one man sick steering. At middle of latter part light  
breeze & calm employed carrying out the sails.  
Lat by obs 30-33 S Long by Chron 32-25 West

Friday May 21<sup>st</sup>

Today commenced with  
light breeze & calm & cloudy weather. At 11 A.M.  
a squall arose in the S E by E. & struck the ship  
so the sails could be taken in carrying away  
the flying jib boom & the mainmast  
with the foremast. The mainmast falling, sails all hands  
on deck, & worked all night at 12 moderate & tied  
up to anchor. At the day end with light breeze from  
S E steering. Saw a sail standing. Heard  
No observation this day



John, J. D. Hempstead. Master 1858

Saturday May 22<sup>nd</sup>  
This day began with  
light winds and calm with rain  
middle and latter part pleasant  
employed in mending the flying jib boom  
Ship in sight so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 45=10 c 1 Long by Chron 35=02

Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and rain with a cold the  
stakeboard. Main topmast back stay  
parted middle and latter part the  
same so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 46=15 c 8 Long by Chron 37=15 1/2

Monday May 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light airs and rain middle part the  
same latter part lighter breezes  
from the S E so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 46=30 c 8 Long by Chron 38=00

Tuesday May 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant frame the  
S E & course S by E latter part  
moderate breezes from the S E  
saw several blackfish so ends  
Lat by Obs 47=11 c 8 Long by Chron 38=49

Wednesday May 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong winds from the S E course S by E  
middle and latter part the same  
all sail set so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 48=31 c 8 Long by Chron 38=11 c

Thursday May 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
strong breezes from the S E middle  
part squally latter part pleasant  
employed in ship's duty all sail set  
Lat by Obs 48=15 c 5 Long by Chron 40=44



Whip, besper Round to the Landers  
Friday May 28

This day begins with  
strong winds and cloudy from the  
middle and latter part the same  
employed in hauling the fore top gallant sail  
so ends this day all sail set  
Lat by Chron 12-18 N Long by Chron 42-22 W

Saturday May 29

This day begins with  
strong winds and heavy sea at 11 AM  
saw sperm whales & breasted and struck  
2 the Labord boats fired got foul and  
had to cut and lost him turned  
the other one up and took him a  
long side and cut him in, so ends  
Lat by Chron 14-05 N Long by Chron 43-00 W

Sunday May 30

This day begins with  
cooper strong winds from the N & employed  
sick in mending the latter part the same  
all sail set steering S W by S  
Lat by Chron 15-00 N Long by Chron 46-18 W

Monday May 31

This day begins with  
cooper light winds and pleasant from the  
sick weather employed in hauling the  
part the same course S E by S  
all sail in sight so ends  
Lat by Chron 16-54 N Long by Chron 47-58 W

Tuesday June 1

This day begins with  
cooper light winds and pleasant from the  
sick employed in stowing down all  
sail set latter part the same so ends  
Lat by Chron 18-42 N Long by Chron 49-33 W

Wednesday June 2

This day begins with  
cooper light wind and pleasant and when  
sick of deck a man named by the name of John  
Delany did not do as the master told him  
to make look hole of his shirt  
to make him do his duty and he struck



John A. Hampstead - Master 1858  
at the mate with the boom and the  
captain called him aft and put him in  
irons and kept him the 2 hours and  
he promised to do his duty then the  
captain took him out of irons the  
sick latter part employed in bundling  
home so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 20-10-8 Long by Chron 84-11-11

Thursday June 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant from the S E  
course 8-11 by 8 middle and latter  
part the same employed in ship's duty  
saw a small quantity of gulf weed  
so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 21-34-8 Long by Chron 84-2-30

Friday June 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light wind from the southeasterly course  
8-11 by 8 middle and latter part  
the same employed on rigging so ends  
Lat by Obs 22-5-4 Long by Chron 84-5-11

Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and heavy squalls from  
the S E middle part heavy rain  
latter part pleasant employed  
on ship's duty so ends this day  
Lat by Obs 24-5-5 Long by Chron 84-5-11

Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds and squally with much rain  
latter part more pleasant and ship in  
light course 8-11 by 8 so ends  
Lat by Obs 25-40-8 Long by Chron 84-35-11

Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S E middle  
part shifted to the S E latter part  
the same course 8-11 by 8 so ends  
Lat by Obs 27-0-3 Long by Chron 84-26-11



Ship, vesper Bound to New London  
Tuesday June 5

This day begins with  
fresh breezes from the E & N with  
heavy squally weather again. Latter part  
pleasant calm & off by 8 employed  
in ships duty so ends this day  
Lat by Chron 42 40 Long 9-50

Wednesday June 9

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant E & N & course  
& off by 8 middle and latter part  
the same 1 ship in sight so ends  
Lat by Chron 43 20 Long by Chron 41 20 W

Thursday June 10

This day begins with  
light winds and pleasant from the S & E  
course & off by 8 middle and latter part  
the same employed in ships duty so ends  
Lat by Chron 31-28 Long by Chron 42 44 W

Friday June 11

This day begins with  
light winds and from the N N W middle and  
latter part the same course & off by 8  
employed in ships duty so ends this day  
Lat by Chron 32-20 Long by Chron 43 38 W

Saturday June 12

This day begins with  
light winds from the S W middle and  
latter part the same course & off by 8  
& 2 ships in sight standing to the  
Southward employed in ships duty  
Lat by Chron 33 45 Long by Chron 43 20 W

Sunday June 13

This day begins with  
strong breezes from the N W middle part  
moderate gales off by 8 we took in  
studding sails course & off by 8  
latter part the same saw 1 ship  
steaming & E so ends this day  
Lat by Chron 35 20 Long by Chron 46 47 W



John S Hempstead Master 1855  
Monday June 14<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
fresh gales from the S W with heavy squalls  
and rain At 10 A.M. doubled the top  
middle part more moderate course  
S W At 6 P.M. spoke the Schooner  
Step foot 3 days from New York  
bound to the West Indies. - so ends  
Sat by Obs 37-18 N Long by Chron 67-3 W

Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light winds from the S W with  
much rain employed in throwing  
the rigworks overboard and mending  
the fore topgallant sail course S W  
middle and latter part the same  
so ends this day  
Sat by Obs 38-45 N Long by Chron 70-0 W

Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light airs from the E S E with thick fog  
and rain latter part moderate breezes  
from the Eastward 1 ship in sight  
At 7 A.M. rounded, but got no  
bottom course E S W so end this day  
Sat by Obs 39-46 N Long by Chron 71-0 W

Thursday June 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light airs from the E S E with  
heavy swell setting to Westward  
course E S W At 7 P.M. hauled up  
E S latter part thick fog so ends  
Sat by Obs 40-00 N Long by Chron 71-5 W

Friday June 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with  
light airs and thick fog middle part  
the same At 2 P.M. the fog cleared  
away and a breeze springing from the  
S W steering E S W At 4 P.M. spoke  
the Schooner Quiver Jennie and  
found the Chronometer was 50 miles  
to the Eastward hauled on the anchor  
and stood in for Black Island Is.















# Ship Passes Incoming List

Beef Pork Flour Bread

March 1 <sup>st</sup>	1	1	
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
March 23 <sup>rd</sup>			1
March 27 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
March 29 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	1	1	
April 18 <sup>th</sup>			1
April 25 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
April 30 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
May 6 <sup>th</sup>			1
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1	1	



Ref Cork Bread Flour Molasses August 1857

June 1 <sup>st</sup>	/	/	/		
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	/	/		/	/
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
June 20 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
July 5 <sup>th</sup>	/	/	/	/	/
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
July 26 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Aug 2 <sup>nd</sup>	/	/	/	/	
Aug 5 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Aug 15 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Aug 21 <sup>st</sup>	/	/			
Aug 25 <sup>th</sup>	/	/		/	
Sept 5 <sup>th</sup>	/	/	/		
Sept 13 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Sept 19 <sup>th</sup>	/	/		/	
Sept 24 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Sept 25 <sup>th</sup>			/		
Sept 20 <sup>th</sup>			/		
Sept 26 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup>	/	/			
Oct 10 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Oct 17 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Oct 24 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Oct 31 <sup>st</sup>	/	/			
Nov 7 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Nov 14 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Nov 21 <sup>st</sup>	/	/			
Nov 28 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Dec 5 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Dec 12 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Dec 19 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Dec 26 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			

January 1858 Ship Resper

January 3 <sup>rd</sup>	/	/			
Jan 10 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Jan 17 <sup>th</sup>	/	/	/		
Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Jan 31 <sup>st</sup>	/	/			
Feb 7 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Feb 10 <sup>th</sup>			/		
Feb 11 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Feb 20 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
Feb 27 <sup>th</sup>	/	/			
March 6 <sup>th</sup>	/	/	/		



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April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	1	
April 16 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
April 25 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
May 1 <sup>st</sup>	1	1	1
Do 11 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 20 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 31 <sup>st</sup>	1	1	
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 15 <sup>th</sup>			1
June 18 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 25 <sup>th</sup>			1
Do 28 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 8 <sup>th</sup>			1
Do 12 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	

Oct 7 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 11 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 22 <sup>nd</sup>	1	1	
Do 28 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	1
Do 31 <sup>st</sup>			1
Nov 7 <sup>th</sup>		1	
Do 17 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 26 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Dec 6 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 14 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 16 <sup>th</sup>			1
Do 22 <sup>nd</sup>	1	1	1
Do 30 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	1
Jan 6 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 13 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 21 <sup>st</sup>	1	1	1
Do 30 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Feb 7 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Feb 17 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Do 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1	1	
Do 28 <sup>th</sup>			1
March 2 <sup>nd</sup>		1	
March 11 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	1
April 16 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1	1	
May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1	1	
May 9 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	
Aug 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1	1	1

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Month	Date	Rice	Peas	Beans	Coffee	Melons	Bread	Vegetables	Fruit
July	1 <sup>st</sup>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
August	2 <sup>nd</sup>								1
August	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1	1						
Do.	5 <sup>th</sup>						1		
Do.	10 <sup>th</sup>								1
Do.	16 <sup>th</sup>	1							
Do.	18 <sup>th</sup>								1
Do.	20 <sup>th</sup>						1		
Do.	23 <sup>rd</sup>	1	1						
Do.	28 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Sept.	1 <sup>st</sup>							one thirty	
Sept.	7 <sup>th</sup>	1	1					larger	
Do.	17 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	19 <sup>th</sup>								Medd
Do.	24 <sup>th</sup>	1	1	1					1
Oct.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	1						
Do.	3 <sup>rd</sup>							ninty one sixty	
Do.	10 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	17 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	25 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Nov.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1	1					Sold	
Do.	9 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	13 <sup>th</sup>								1
Do.	18 <sup>th</sup>	1	1					ninty	
Do.	26 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
December	1 <sup>st</sup>								ninty
Do.	1 <sup>st</sup>	1	1						
Do.	11 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	19 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						7-1-1
Do.	26 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
January	1 <sup>st</sup>	1	1	1				Sold	
Do.	12 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	20 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	28 <sup>th</sup>			1					
Feb.	31 <sup>st</sup>	1							
Feb.	6 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	10 <sup>th</sup>								1
Do.	12 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						
Do.	19 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						1-23 tail
Do.	27 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						1
March	1 <sup>st</sup>								1 thirty
Do.	11 <sup>th</sup>	1	1					Sold	
Do.	22 <sup>nd</sup>	1	1						
Do.	25 <sup>th</sup>								1
Do.	30 <sup>th</sup>	1	1						















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